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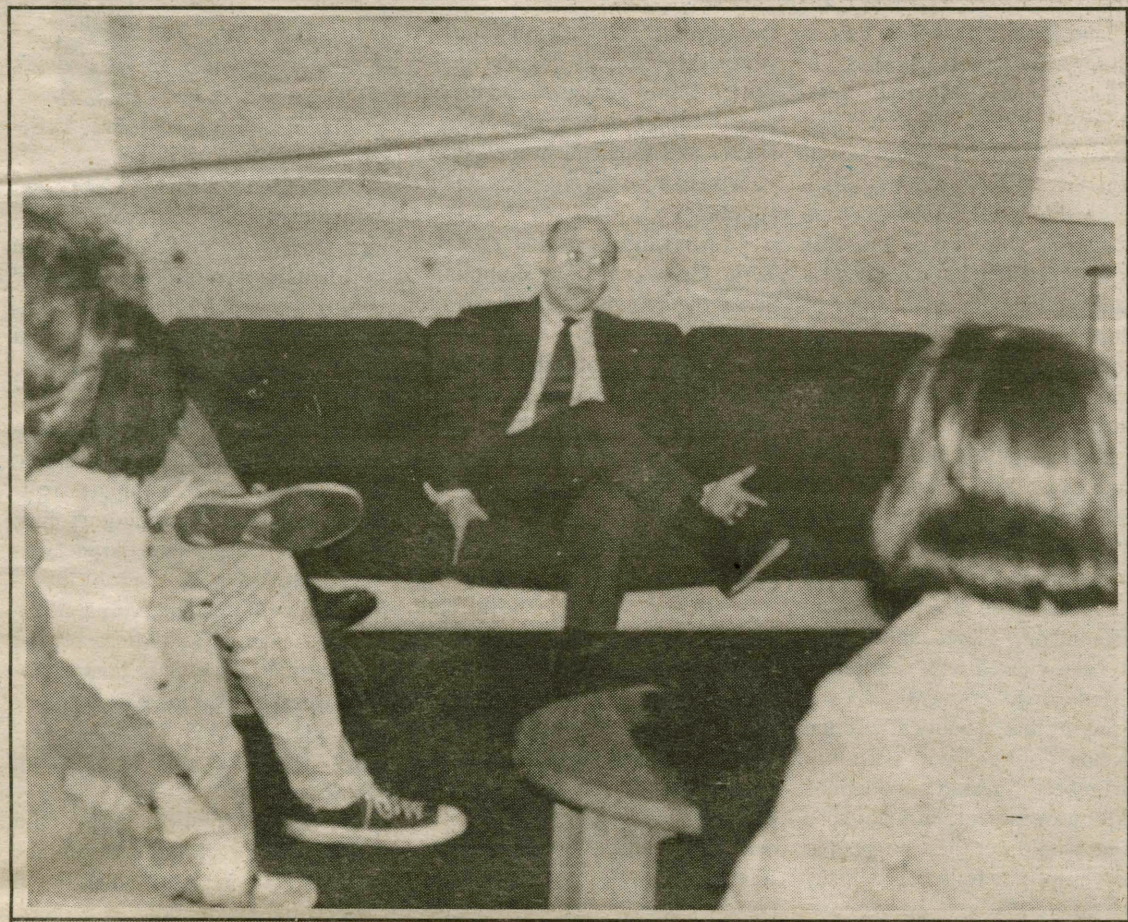

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Students met with President Eugene Tobin on Tuesday evening in Root Residence Hall. Their discussion focused upon the upcoming announcement of the Residential Life Survey Results. See story on page 3.

Pataki prepares to slash student financial aid

Cuts may affect 200 Hamilton students

By Meghan Hallock '98
ASSOCIATE NEWS EDITOR

New York State college students who receive financial aid in the form of the New York State Tuition Assistance Program (TAP), Liberty Scholarships, or benefit from the Higher Education Opportunity Program (HEOP), may see a decrease in their state funding next year. This budget cut comes at the proposal of newly elected Republican Governor, George Pataki. The cuts may affect the lives of students receiving other forms of financial aid as well.

There are 270 students who participate in TAP at Hamilton which will likely seee a cut in funding of $130,000 next year. That comes to $1,000 for incoming students and $500 for continuing students. Most agree this shortfall in financial assistance will have to be made up somewhere. Some argue the answer is to have all these students take out more loans. However, they point out that this cut will increase the loan applicant pool, thereby reducing the amount of money that can be distributed. The money needed to pay for incoming and continuing students education will either have to come at a furthur sacrifice by the families or be made up by the college. If the latter is the case, it may effect overall financial aid packages for next year's incoming class.

When TAP was formed by the New York State legislature, it covered 55 percent of a student's education costs. The legislatures promised that the percentage of assistance would adjust to rising education costs and eventually cover more of the tuition burden. In fact, the legislature did just the opposite. The current level of TAP assistance is at 30 percent. This creates more students competing for federal funds, lessening the average amount awarded.

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Student Assembly organizes to protest cuts. See story on page 4.

Alumni remain upbeat as conclusion of Residential Life Study draws near

By Gabriel Meyer '96
EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

With two weeks left until the announcement of the final results of the Residential Life Survey, the mood among the members of Hamilton's Alumni Council Executive Committee remains upbeat. Though members' personal attitudes on particular issues addressed by the study vary, most feel that the Residential Life Study will represent a step forward for the school.

There is near total agreement on many issues addressed by the study. On those relating to interaction between students and faculty, most committee members said they felt that the strong interaction is one of Hamilton's greatest assets. Though the private society issue was the source of more divergent opinions, all said they would support whatever action the College chooses to take following the conclusion of the study.

The Alumni Council Executive Committee is composed of the various chairs of the Alumni Association's subcommittees, most of whom have had little direct involvement in the Residential Life Study. Approximately ten thousand Hamilton graduates are members of the Alumni Association.

"I think the study is a very positive step," said Chairman of the Alumni Council Stuart J. Hamilton '73. "The trustees seem to have gone out of their way to involve as many constituencies as they can."

During the last two years, the trustees have met with various student and faculty representatives and conducted the Residential Life Survey which was completed by more than eighty percent of Hamilton's student body. In addition, graduates of the last five years at Hamilton were sent the Recent Graduate Survey which addressed issues of residential life.

"I'm confident and optimistic that we are dealing with this from a position of strength," added Hamilton. "We've got something that works pretty well and we're trying to make it work better. We're not in a crisis situation."

Addressing issues of the alcohol policy and private societies, he commented, "It seems they are the issues that never die."

Mixed support for private societies

A member of the Emerson Literary Society as a student, Hamilton expressed his support for the continued existence of private societies on campus. "I would hate to see fraternities abolished, but I am very aware of some of the problems they have caused," he said. Among these problems, he noted, are that they are viewed as elitist by some, in their creation of housing options which are available to men but not women.

"If it comes to the fact that the overwhelming consensus is that the fraternity system has to go, then we do that and then move forward," he said.

Chair of the Alumni Subcommittee on Career Counseling William Pearson '60 said, "There could be benefits to changing the fraternity system. Hamilton should reflect the world today. People are inquisitive and do not want to be saddled by the ways of the past."

"I would hate to see fraternities abolished if there are a significant number of people who want to belong to them," said Chair of the Alumni Activities Committee William Yeomans '55.

"I'm for choice," he said, but added, "you have an entirely different circumstance on campus today. I really don't know what the answer is. It's a very difficult question."

As a brother of the Delta Upsilon fraternity while at Hamilton,

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Service in Chapel marks Hamilton observance of AIDS Awareness Week

By Mary Dias '98
NEWS STAFF WRITER

"A Service of Healing & Remembrance For All Living in the Era of HIV/AIDS" was held at the Hamilton College chapel at 8.00 p.m. on Valentine's Day.

This service of remembrance was organized by the Chapel Board with assistance from the Asian Cultural Society, the Christian Fellowship, the Dance Alliance, Gamma Xi, the Hamiltones, GLBSA, Havoc, Hillel, the International Students Association, the Newman Council and the RA's. College Chaplain, Janna Roche, opened the proceedings with a "call to worship", a prayer for those suffering from AIDS. She then invited the students who had volunteered to share thoughts and readings on the occasion, to the stage. Yulli Cha `97 led the volunteers, with her presentation "Velveteen Rabbit" by Margery Williams. She was followed by Bill Ferguson's `95 reading of "Blessed are they who show mercy even when others turn away.....mercy shall be theirs." "The Beatitudes", a passage from the "Sermon on the Mount" was amended for the occasion.

Alicia Buoni `95 and Bobbi Perkins `95 captivated the gathering with their performance of a "Dance Duet." The lyrics of the refrain ".....I won't fear love" rose hauntingly in the background as the two dancers, clad in black, moved gracefully; their movements one with the music. Thomas Lavenir `97 chose a passage from "Le Petit Prince" or "The Little Prince" by St. Exupeny. Reading this passage in both French and English, Thomas reminded all those

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News from other Ivory Towers

--compiled by Naeem Sheikh '96

St. John Fisher College to pay its jobless graduates

St. John Fisher College in Rochester (NY) has come up with a plan to pay its jobless graduates. Beginning next year, entering students at the college can qualify for a program that will pay students $417 per month, up to $5,000, if they are not offered a job that requires a college degree within six months of their graduation.

However, the program is not meant to be a license to take it easy. Before students can qualify for it, they must meet a strict set of guidelines. While in college, students participating in the program must join selected campus activities, complete a job-related internship, map out career goals with an academic advisor and graduate with at least a 2.75 grade point average.

After graduation, job seekers must stay in contact with the college's career office and show proof that they are diligently searching for jobs.

College students lead national trend toward vegetarianism

Recent research indicates that college students are leading the national trend toward vegetarian diets. The National Restaurant Association has found that 15 percent of the 15-million American college students eat vegetarian meals each day. That figure hovers closer to six percent for the general population.

Flooded basement at Univ. of Nebraska shuts down Internet for 12 hours

A flooded basement on the University of Nebraska campus in January shut down access to the Internet for thousands of computer users in seven states. MIDNet, an Internet station that serves accounts in Nebraska, Kansas, Arkansas, South Dakota, Missouri, Iowa and Illinois, was knocked out for about 12 hours after 220,000 gallons of water flooded the basement of Universitu of Nebraska's Walter Scott Engineering Center.

The flood occurred after a University of Nebraska employee failed to securely close a water valve. The open valve spilled nearly 30 inches of water into the 135-by-80 feet room.

Number of teetotalers among college students up, U. of California survey reveals

A survey performed by the University of California at Los Angeles on more than 300,000 students nationwide found that nearly one half of college students abstained from drinking beer in 1994, compared to one in four in 1971. In addition, the average consumption rate for regular drinkers has declined in the last decade. These shifts can be attributed in part to the fact that the current college generation grew up under more restrictive drinking laws, and are increasingly health-conscious.

Sources : *Colgate Maroon-News and National Student News Service*

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News Briefs from around the World

--compiled by Naeem Sheikh '96

Mexican President orders halt to military offensive in Chiapas

Last Tuesday, Mexican President Ernesto Zedillo Ponce de Leon ordered the Mexican army to halt all offensives against the Zapatista rebels in the southern Mexican state of Chiapas. This move came less than a week after he announced a military action with the intention of capturing Zapatista leader known as "Subcommander Marcos" and preventing Zapatistas from launching another rebellion.

In January 1994, the Zapatistas organized an armed uprising and seized four towns in Chiapas but they were swiftly beaten by the Mexican army. Ever since, tensions in Chiapas have been high and Subcommander Marcos and his men have been viewed with caution by the Mexican government.

Saying that "a political solution demands political will", Zedillo urged rebels to restart negotiations with the government and announced that he would get the Congress to approve amnesty for rebels who lay down their arms.

Allies propose end of sanctions against Serbia

Officials of the five-nation contact group seeking peace in former Yugoslavia agreed on Tuesday 14 February on the outline of a plan to suspend most of the sanctions on Serbia in exchange for its recognition of Bosnia and Croatia and further tightening of Serbia's somewhat loose blockade of Bosnian Serbs.

Officials of the contact group, comprising of United States, France, Germany, Russia and United Kingdom, are expected to travel within the next week to present these proposals to the Serbian President Slobodan Milosevic.

About 70% of Bosnia and almost a third of Croatia are under the control of Serbs, who were long supported by Milosevic in their refusal to join the countries that emerged from the breakup of Yugoslavia. Recently, Milosevic has ended his outright support of warring Serbs in Bosnia and sealed the borders to prevent them from having access to vital supplies.

Meanwhile, Bosnian President Alija Izetbegovic has complained about the growing number of provocative attacks by Serbs on the Muslim enclave of Bihac in northwest Bosnia. These attacks and other sniper incidents in Bosnian capital Sarajevo have brought a four-month cease-fire close to breakdown.

Chechens and Russian officials work out cease-fire agreement

After several hours of "difficult, but business-like and calm" talks in the Central Asian republic of Ingushetia on 13 February, Chechen military commander Aslan Maskhadov, and the commanders of the Russian army and interior ministry troops in Chechnya agreed on a ceasefire to take effect that evening, Interfax and Western agencies reported. The agreement also called for exchange of war prisoners and dead.

Two days before the announcement of the ceasefire, Chechen separatists claimed a big victory when they blew up a missile launching site that resulted in the killing of more than 250 Russian soldiers. Also, the Russian army seemed to direct its firepower at a number of villages outside the Chechen capital of Grozny that supposedly are being used as hideouts by Chechen irregulars.

Meanwhile, growing number of Russians are urging that those responsible for unleashing the Chechen war be brought to justice. Anti-war activist Maria Kirbasova told Interfax on 14 February that the Soldiers' Mothers Committee intended to sue the organizers of the Chechen operation in the International Court of Justice in the Hague, Netherlands.

Sources : *NY Times, Open Media Research Institute Daily Digest.*

Weekend Weather

Saturday: Mostly sunny and mild. Highs in the 40's, lows near 20.

Sunday: Fair. High of about 40, lows in the 20's.

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National News Briefs

--compiled by Joseph Saponaro '96

Federal Judge rejects U.S.-Microsoft antitrust pact

The Department of Justice faced a major setback Tuesday when Federal District Judge Stanley Sporkin rejected the government's proposed antitrust pact with the world's biggest software company, saying that the limitations it would impose are not sufficiently severe. The U.S. accused Microsoft Corporation, producer of MS-DOS, of obstructing fair competition in computer software, particularly operating systems. Microsoft had accepted the pact, expecting to end the 4-year long investigation with this relatively innocuous settlement. Both Microsoft and the Justice Department plan to appeal Sporkin's decision.

Gov. Pataki closer to reviving death penalty

For the past 18 years the Legislature's proposal to restore the death penalty in New York has been vetoed by Democratic governors. George E. Pataki, the newly-elected Republican governor, in a potential fulfillment of campaign promises, has agreed with legislative leaders to reinstate the law, making an estimated 15 to 20 percent of homicides punishable by death. The death penalty has been absent from New York's law books since 1976.

Yale study finds differences in male/female brain mechanism

Behavioral scientists at Yale University have concluded that men and women use the brain differently in linguistic decoding tasks. A new technique, functional magnetic resonance imaging, was used by researchers in an experiment that they claim provides first conclusive evidence for gender-based differences. It was found for certain cognitive abilities that men tend to exploit the left hemisphere while women use both hemispheres. The scientists were investigating reading disorders which led to this discovery; they plan to develop techniques for early detection of reading disabilities in young children.

Democrats criticize Clinton on handling of Surgeon General nominee

Democrats have accused President Clinton of incompetence in handling the nomination of Dr. Henry W. Foster, Jr. as Surgeon General. The nomination has suffered severe criticism after it was revealed that Foster performed abortions and questionable hysterectomies in the 1970s. Some Democrats claim that it is not Foster's record that is the most damaging aspect of the stalled nomination process but rather the White House's incapacity to quickly and professionally promote nominees and to handle criticism.

Sources: The NY Times, AP

Despite worries over Res. Life Study, fraternity pledging remains strong

By Scott Kocher '97
NEWS STAFF WRITER

It seems that recent rumors over the fate of private societies have not stifled student interest. Despite an ominous threat from an impending Residential Life Survey result, pledging remains strong this year. Because of this continued interest, and other developments including improved relations between societies and the administration, the Inter-Society Council remains optimistic about its future at Hamilton.

Tim Weymouth, the former Inter-Society Council (ISC) president, said, "The ISC is going to handle things as if [private societies] are going to exist. We'll make sure that the housing lottery works out better than last year, and we're working on implementing some strong academic policies."

The Alpha Delta Phi fraternity. PHOTO BY TUCKER PIERSON '97

He also notes that "as far as the rushing trend goes, there has been no decline" where one might be expected in light of growing concerns. The current ISC president, Neil Fischbein, said there might actually be an increase in the number of pledges this year. Uncertainty over the up-coming Residential Life Committee decision does not seem to have discouraged these students, and most are confident that societies will remain a part of Hamilton. While some are less optimistic, most pledges see private societies as a positive influence and integral part of campus life.

In keeping with its commitment to improve campus relations, the ISC has plans for next year to improve its standing with the Hamilton community. It intends to enact several new policies to increase the academic performance of students in societies and to improve relations with the faculty and administration.

Efforts to increase the required academic average of all pledges from 72 to 75 came up short this year due to the fact that the measure came too late to give current pledges fair warning. However, the ISC is taking steps to ensure that this academic standard will become policy next year.

One recently-enacted ISC measure requires that all students in a fraternity spend 6 hours each week in a study hall session, in addition to any house academic requirements. The ISC plans to take an active role in enforcing this policy in the future.

Another idea currently being considered is for fraternities and sororities to be more closely involved with the faculty. Fischbein says that might involve asking professors to act as advisors for each private society in order to increase relations between students and the faculty.

The ISC currently has two academic chair positions open. According to Weymouth, the positions are designed to "help organize new measures to further improve academic standards among society members, and also to assure their enactment and enforcement."

Mark Lilienthal, rushing chairman for Chi Psi, says that until the decision by the Residential Life Committee is released, "there is no sense in worrying about its outcome." Jason Kaczor, president of Delta Phi, agrees. "There's not much we can do at the moment. We're in the dark about the consequences" and ramifications of a possible decision to eliminate private societies.

President Tobin meets with students to discuss Residential Life Study

Issues discussed range from alumni support to alcohol policy

By Matthew Nolan '98
ASSOCIATE NEWS EDITOR

The Residential Life Survey was the focus of discussion on Tuesday night as students met with President Eugene Tobin in the third floor lounge of Root Residence Hall. A scant two weeks away from the announcement of the results, they will reach the hands of the trustees early next week. The event, sponsored by the Endeavors program, allowed a group of more than thirty students to greet the president with various questions and concerns about the outcome of the study. Though he could not comment on the results of the survey, he stated that there will be "substantial changes" when students return to campus in the fall.

Scheduled to be released on March 4, the results are expected to impact many areas of student life, including offering students an increased number of housing options. When asked about fear of trouble and unrest among the student body, Tobin stated that "any campus that has undergone any kind of change" has had those who are resistant to change, but over time things return to their normal calm. Regarding rumors of R.A. riot training and fear of violence Tobin added that they "don't anticipate any of those problems."

The weeks and months following the release of the survey will be the most crucial time for the College's transition. Tobin stated that student participation in the process will be key, saying "we need your involvement." He implored students to get involved in forming "the blueprint" for the College. Following the release of the survey, there will be many opportunities for discussion of the importance and changes in the campus as a whole.

Tobin explained to students the background information on the study, stating that the focus of the study has been on issues dating back to the merging of Kirkland College and Hamilton in 1978. The "equity issue" needs to be addressed. Regarding admissions Tobin stated that work needs to be done to make the school as attractive for women as it is for men. Creating "a sense of coeducation" is one way in which they hope to do this. Admissions were also touched on during the discussion, the president stated that after reviewing the 1990 admissions profile many felt that the school might have been attracting candidates that were "not as strong" as those they hoped for.

Tobin stated that the changes that will come as a result of the survey will offer students "more opportunities residentially, socially, and intellectually." In addition, the survey is expected to focus on bringing diversity to the Hamilton campus. Next fall, the school will be somewhat different for students, and according to Tobin there will be "more choice rather than less," when it comes to residential housing options. A more dynamic campus which has a strong emphasis on academics is one of the major options of the survey. He remarked that through the survey, the Trustee Residential Life committee hopes to "create a combination of residential life and academics," in a strong balance.

The evening discussion also included discussion of Hamilton's alcohol policy. A number of students voiced concerns about the current system and student drinking. Tobin responded to these questions stating that he welcomed their suggestions. Students' suggestions ranged from institution of a more liberal alcohol policy to the creation of a campus pub.

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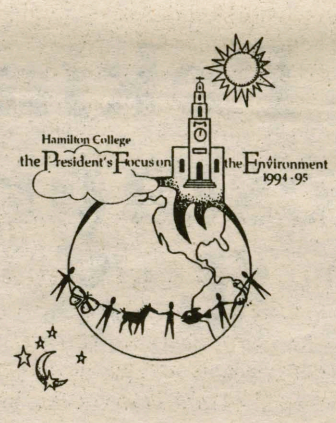

The President's
Focus on the Environment

The second in this series of presentations will be:

"Food, Population and the Environment"

February 23, Thursday - Science Auditorium - 7:30 p.m.

Professor David Pimentel from Cornell University will discuss some of the controversial issues surrounding food availability and population size in today's world and the future. Issues will include the ecological and economic aspects of biological pest control. Professor Pimentel specializes in Agriculture Science and Insect Ecology at Cornell.

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Alumni reflect upon Hamilton's past as they contemplate pending study results

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Yeomans said faculty members would frequently serve as chaperones at some of the larger house parties. "We got to know them almost as peers in those situations," he said. "It was great, it really was."

Of his fraternity experience, Yeomans said, "It certainly helped me to grow up and establish some values. You may laugh at this, but it helped me become a gentleman."

Student-faculty interaction

On the subject of interaction between students and faculty, Yeomans said, "I think there's great value in it." He noted that many of the classes he took at Hamilton were very small, particularly the seminars that students took in their junior and senior years. "Students got to know professors on a very informal basis."

"I thought that was one of the best things about Hamilton," said Randi Lowitt Gnesin '84, Vice Chair of the Alumni Council Executive Committee. "That's why I still come back."

Of the Residential Life Study's goal to improve interaction between faculty and students, she said, "It's a mutual thing. If the faculty is welcoming enough, and I've always found it to be so, then I hope the students would want to take advantage of it."

Alcohol policy issues

On issues related to the Hamilton's alcohol policy, views among alumni were that the policy must change with the times. A change in the alcohol policy two and a half years ago which banned bulk alcohol in residence halls as well as alcohol in public space was initially the source of great controversy among students.

Chairman of the Alumni Publications and Communications Committee Robert Wells '60 stated, "The alcohol policy has to be fairly tough because of the laws of the state of New York." He said that he was unsure of how large a role the College should play in seeing that students drink responsibly.

"Alcohol seems much less important to me now than when I was a student," he said. "Because of expanded opportunities on campus, hopefully alcohol has a lesser role than it has had in past years."

"I have to say I agree with the issue of [no] bulk alcohol in the dorms," said Margaret Bratton '91 who chairs the Gold Group Committee, representing Hamilton graduates of the last decade. "You have to make a distinction between a residence hall and a social drinking space."

"Residence halls can be social places, but there needs to be a distinction," she said. "There needs to be a physical space [for alcohol]."

Fear of declining alumni contributions

Many students have expressed fear that if private societies are abolished following the conclusion of the Residential Life Study, alumni support which has traditionally been very strong at Hamilton, will decline. However, most alumni do not share this view and believe that support levels will remain largely unchanged.

Comparing the current situation to the debate over the merger between Hamilton and its sister school Kirkland College in the late 1970's, Stuart Hamilton said that there may be some who will withhold future support from the school because of the fraternity issue. He noted that some Kirkland graduates refused to support their alma mater after it merged with Hamilton.

"Ultimately, you have to do what's best for the College," he said. "There will always be some people who are offended by what the College does."

Pearson commented, "I would hope that the alumni body would see that the changes are in the best interest of the school and that they would continue to provide the same level of support as in the past."

He noted that alumni should be tied to Hamilton as an institution, not just the fraternities they belonged to.

"There will be unhappy students just as there will be unhappy alumni," said Gnesin. "My only hope is that people will look beyond the Residential Life Study and keep the best interests of the College in mind. As the College mission statement says, 'Education in all its forms is the central mission of the College.'"

"Change always upsets people," said Yeoman, but added, "I think Hamilton will survive it."

Funding cuts may hurt Hamilton students

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Director of the Higher Education Opportunity Program here at Hamilton is Christine Johnson. Johnson said of the governor's proposal,"if the proposal passes unchanged, next year's first years at Hamilton will lose up to $300,000 dollars. This will have an adverse affect on students and their families."

HEOP provides economically and educationally disadvantaged students the possibility of a college education. There are 7,528 students waiting to be served by HEOP. The program is 39 percent black, 33 percent Hispanic and 18 percent white. Johnson says of these students, "People of color do not offer the only diversity on this campus. There is also socioeconomic and regional students. So, if the governor continues with his proposal, he will be placing roadblocks in the academic path of those students who bring diversity to our campuses, be they public or private." She pointed out that the state funding cuts would affect 35,000 students at public and private institutions across the state.

Director of Financial Aid at Hamilton, Kenneth Kogut, felt that the cuts would require serious college financing for the shortfall. He also felt that the federal government's consideration of cutting the Pell, Perkins and Stafford loan programs would have serious reprecussions.

President of the Student Assembly, Andrew Edelson '97, commented on these reprecussions in this statement, "This will affect everybody, regardless as to whether you are receiving financial aid or not. It will destroy the little cultural diversity we presently have, plus, if this bill passes, the tuition of the average Hamilton student will most likely increase." Some have proposed that all loans be unsubsidized, so that students would have to start paying back loans while in school, or acrew thousands of dollars worth of interest.

He said that Hamilton will do everything in its power to maintain financial aid packages for its students, but, he added, "It is very important for continuing students to complete and return there financial aid forms as soon as possible. That way, the Financial Aid office will be able to assess the students' needs before assessing the needs of the incoming class." He urged students to get their forms in soon.

Here on campus many events are being coordinated to combat this severe proposition by The Office of Multicultural Affairs, Student Assembly and HEOP.

In addition to HEOP's on campus letter writing campaign, there will be a protest trip to Albany on the 27th of February, where Hamilton will join numerous other colleges and universities in protest. Finally, Student Assembly is planning a letter writing campaign, as well as informing other members of the community outside of Hamilton.

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Student Assembly mobilizes to protest proposed cuts in state aid to students

By Jacob Stetser '98
NEWS STAFF WRITER

The Hamilton Student Assembly is quickly mobilizing a protest against the dark clouds of education cuts by the Pataki administration. The effort will extend throughout Hamilton, Clinton, New Hartford, and the surrounding communities. Andrew Edelson, Student Assembly President, believes that budget cuts "would not just affect financial aid, not just HEOP; it would affect everybody."

The Student Assembly has created a Task Force with a mission to attack problems and remedy them without bureaucracy, and with efficiency. Along with HEOP, and the Office of Multicultural Affairs, the Student Assembly is actively organizing an effort to eliminate or alleviate the cuts outlined in Pataki's budget plan. Edelson urges students to get involved with the protest and go with the Task Force and others to Albany, on February 27th, to defend what he contends is already inadequate education funding.

There have been several new committees created by the Student Assembly during Edelson's administration, namely the Constitution, Academic, and R&D project teams. The purpose of the Constitution team is to completely revise Hamilton's student government, "to make it more productive, representative, involving, empowering, and more responsible," says Edelson. The R&D team's goal somewhat concurs with the Constitution team's work, as it seeks to study student government at other institutions and find concepts and ideas which could be helpful to the Hamilton community.

The Academic Project Team continues work that was begun last semester on the Oral-Intensive requirement. Other current campaigns of the Academic team include a proposal for grade appeals, which would protect students from unfair grading, and credit for labs.

This semester, Edelson is hoping that the Assembly can redefine its image from that of a "resume-builder" to a genuinely enthusiastic and representative body. He and other Student Assembly members are working so that their meetings will become more organized and productive, and that the Student Assembly will be "accountable for its accomplishments or lack of them."

Edelson proposed a Student Activities fee, at last Monday's meeting, which was discussed for almost a half an hour by the Assembly. His reasons for proposing the fee are that student activities at Hamilton are grossly underfunded, and that real programming requires real money. "If you want the big bands, you have to have big money," he says, noting that a Student Activities fee would bring more power to the students in deciding the nature of the events.

Concerns raised by members of the Student Assembly varied from fraternities and sororities, which already pay a fee to their organization in order to support events, to financial aid students who have a limited capability to afford extra fees. Another controversial issue, raised at Monday's meeting, was the possibility of Hamilton's requiring incoming students to buy computers so that they can make use of the 2.6 million dollar network, which Assembly member Ali Hilaly compared with Stanford's system, "one of the most advanced in the country."

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Wide array of on-line services to be available as Hamilton's campus network takes shape, LEXIS and NEXIS services to be unavailable

By Walter March '95
NEWS STAFF WRITER

Hamilton College's campus-wide network will provide increased access to informational databases and the Internet, in general. Some of this technology is already in place at Hamilton; some is in the works.

According to Sharon Britton, Director of Public Services for Burke Library, plans are in the works "to have as much available to students in their rooms as is available to them here at the Library."

The FirstSearch Service is one of the sets of informational databases that will be available. Reference Librarian Lynn Mayo said FirstSearch is "an online service which gives patrons an easy-to-use interface and access to more than 40 databases." These databases include indices, tables of contents, citations, dissertation abstracts and book reviews. Other databases feature bioscience, applied science and technology, social sciences, business, arts, humanities, economics and education. The Concise Columbia Electronic Encyclopedia is also a part of FirstSearch.

Plans are also set for the CD-ROM availability of full text Social Sciences Index, a database of newspaper abstracts, the Foreign Broadcast Information Service Index, and the Public Affairs Information Service to be available.

In some cases, there are licenscing or technical problems. According to Britton, "For some of the information services, we have to pay each time we go online." These databases are not available for general use and will not be available from student rooms, when the network is in place.

According to Mayo, these limited access databases are "available to Hamilton College students and faculty [but] searches are performed at the discretion of the librarians." These databases include DIALOG, the world's largest online information research service containing over 450 databases. Mayo said "DIALOG [provides] access to articles, conference proceedings, news, statistics, etc. from a diverse spectrum of disciplines [including] scientific, technical, and medical literature and business, trade and academic studies."

There will also be other limited access databases besides DIALOG and EPIC. One of them is RLIN, the Research Libraries Information Network. This bibliographic database, according to Mayo, "is an online union catalog (similar to the OCLC Online Union Catalog) of more than 63 million items, reflecting the combined holdings of the members of The Research Libraries Group, Inc." This group of databases is used, as Mayo stated "by hundreds of comprehensive research libraries, archival repositories, museums, academic, public, law, technical, and corporate libraries."

There are two rather well known database families. They are a set of legal databases, called LEXIS, and a set of business and financial databases, called NEXIS. Both have been looked at several times by the college to see whether they are something viable for the Hamilton community. Sharon Britton stated "We did consider splitting the cost [of these databases] with the Levitt Center but [the Center] found they could access similar information through different channels. Left on our own, we found them too expensive for what would be available to us."

Some of the information on these high priced databases can be found through sources the Library already has access to. In addition, Reference Librarian Kristin Strohmeyer said "We have some of the law information right here at Hamilton in print. Also, Colgate University is a government repository and we have an express delivery service with them."

Internet information sources are also accessible through the Computer Center's facilities in the basement of Burke Library. In addition to using Eudora to send electronic mail messages requesting information, it is possible to use such programs as Telnet, NewsWatcher, TurboGopher and Fetch to obtain information.

For students infortmation can be accessed through a variety of means. These methods help students become familiar with useful internet tools. In the *Student Guide to Internet Access,* written by Jim Huang, Information Technology Services Assistant Director for Support Services, we learn "Telnet enables terminal-like remote access to host computers on the Internet as though you were directly connected. The Hamilton College Library Online Card Catalog is accessed through Telnet."

The *Student Guide* lists NewsWatcher as a tool to access Usenet news and explains "Usenet is a global bulletin board system composed of over 2,000 wide-ranging topics or newsgroups."

TurboGopher is, as stated in Huang's *Student Guide*, "a method of accessing various documents (primarily text-only) distributed among computers all over the Internet through a uniform, menu-based interface. Gopher is the foundation for the campus-wide information systems at many colleges and universities, including Hamilton."

Also according to the *Student Guide*, Fetch "allows you to transfer machine-readable files between a host computer and your Macintosh. These files may be programs, images, scientific data, text, sounds, etc."

There is a more recent addition to the family of Internet tools that combines the capabilities of NewsWatcher, TurboGopher, Fetch and other programs into one program called Mosaic. Mosaic is commonly referred to as an Internet browser since, according to Huang "information from around the world, whether it is in the form of text, images, movies, sounds or computer files, can be accessed simply by clicking on [its name]."

Huang also said "We are currently testing and evaluating Mosaic and other similar products to determine which is the best suited for all of the machine configurations that are found at Hamilton. We plan to make Mosaic or a Mosaic-equivalent available for general use in Fall 1995. The new high-speed campus-wide data network will have the potential to support a wide variety of new network services, many of which are completely independent of the Internet."

Mosaic is, in fact, available at the Arthur Levitt Public Affairs Center. One of the advantages to Mosaic is the way in which various "pages," as each set of information at each site is called, interrelate. The Hamilton College home page connects a user to the Levitt Center home page. A home page is a starting point for explorations and is generally the first page a user sees when they get to a certain site.

The Levitt Center home page makes it is possible to visit online information sites, to search the Internet by subject and to look at Hamilton course materials and departmental information.

Via an Internet search by subject it is possible to find information about education, economics and health care. There is also a women's home page which links to feminist resources and a global, women's studies gopher.

Also the home page has information on such subjects as abortion, health, reproductive rights, employment, discrimination and harassment as each relates to women. The Levitt Center's women's home page also provides access to the University of California at Berkely's Queer Infoservers list.

The Queer Infoservers list, in turn, directs us to information about gay health and HIV/AIDS, gay organizations and homosexual oriented publications. The above is an example of how one finds information using Mosaic. It's also a perfect example of how one finds oneself spending time wandering around the World Wide Web.

One of the online information sites is FedWorld, which, according to the Levitt Center's home page, is "a clearinghouse of almost all Federal government agencies [and is] touted as a one-stop access point for government information."

Another of these sites is called the World Wide Web Virtual Library Information home page. This page, a directory of various online museum and library exhibits, includes the St. Petersburg Pictures Gallery in Russia and the Yale University Art Gallery. It is actually a step removed from the page the Levitt Center connects to, Le WebLouvre.

Another program that the Levitt Center uses that will become increasingly important for the college is CU-SeeMe. Sally Carman, the Staff Assistant at the Levitt Center, states that by using CU-SeeMe the college community "will be able to see lecturers that otherwise could not appear here due to economics or scheduling difficulties." The program will also make it possible for the community to view various events at other colleges.

Another department of Hamilton College that has thrown itself fully into the campus network is the Career Center. The Career Center is on the Hamilton College Gopher system. According to Virginia Zombek, the Staff Assistant for the Career Center, "This Gopher information is a lot of work for a little use. We have found that people just are not using." However, it is planned to return to intensive up-keep of this information when the campus network is in place. At this time, this part of the Gopher system connects to other Gopher job listings including a special listing for governmental jobs.

In addition to their use of the Gopher, the Career Center also offers the BarterBase system. BarterBase contains a variety of information on various available jobs. Most of the listings include the name, address, and phone number of the contact in additions to a brief job description.

These resources will hopefully join the others as important parts of our campus wide network next academic year.

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AIDS Remembrance Service held

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present that "on one star; one planet; my planet, the earth, there was a little prince who needed mercy."

Newman chaplain Fr. Croghan then led the gathering in a "Litany for Healing." The parable of "The Good Samaritan," presented by Emily Docken `96, was followed by a Scriptural poem presented by Rebecca Pierce `97. Yao Odamtten `98 then took the stage. His choice of presentation was a poem by the late William D. Pestana, a victim of AIDS. "Sex, Drugs, Rock'n roll and AIDS" presented by Lisa Chan `97 and a reading from the Hebrew Scriptures presented by Jill Slattery `95 were next in line. Jana Roche then took the stage again for a few moments of silence, "A Time for Remembrance," a time to remember those who have died or are living with AIDS. The Hamiltones were next on stage for their presentation "People Get Ready," an African-American Spiritual. The chapel was then enveloped in the soft glow of candlelight as candles which had been handed out at the beginning of the ceremony were lit. Although attendance was poor, the chapel was filled with voices raised in chorus singing "Let There Be Peace on Earth." The ceremony was brought to an end with the recital of "Desiderata" by Max Ehrmann, presented by Christine Neufeld `96, giving hope to everyone present with the words "...With all its drudgery and broken dreams it is still a beautiful world." After a few moments of silent contemplation the gathering slowly filed out, once more into the cold night, the red ribbons pinned onto shirts and coats fluttering in the wind.

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Russia: Putting history into perspective

By Marie Follayttar '98
FEATURES EDITOR

From January 3 through the 11th, 11 Hamilton students and 11 adults (including some faculty members), journeyed from New York's Kennedy airport to Russia on a school sponsored trip, organized by Associate Professor of Russian Studies; John Bartle. The ten day trip was designed to show students the basic attractions of the two focal cities Moscow and St. Petersburg (formerly Leningrad). The travellers arrived in Moscow after an excruciatingly long flight and were ready to take on the town.

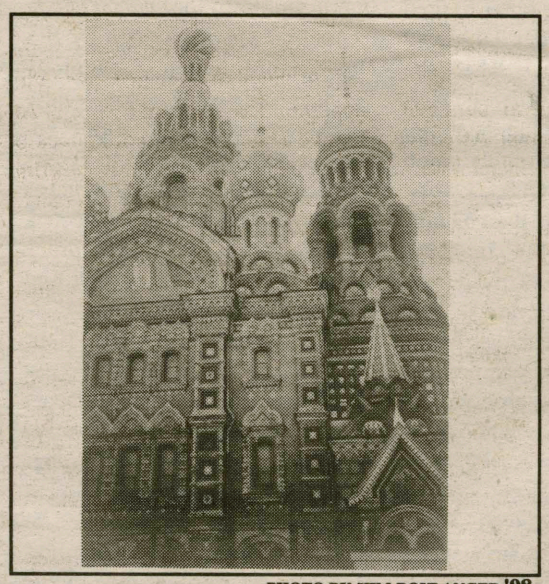
The trip to Russia sounded exciting to the travellers, some had visited before, others had not yet laid eyes on the remarkable architecture and landscape. But underlying all of the excitement was a faint note of fear. Although the trip was well designed, nothing could control the actions of others whose acts of kidnapping, pillaging and threatening had decked the headlines of United States papers weeks before the trip. One student almost considered forfeiting the eleven hundred dollars paid for the vacation, as the stories grew frequent and threatening. Although it might be generally thought that the fall of communism stopped a reigning terror over the former Soviet Union, there is still a continuing violent movement as the political and social situations are resolved.

Nonetheless, the students arrived safely and all fears were expended as they lost themselves in the excitement of the new surroundings, new faces and buildings of the capital of Russia. They stayed in one of seven of Stalin's great towers, with a wide view from every window. Tour guides and tours were prearranged and the students were obligated to join these tours of local and neighboring sights. However, they were free to roam around by night and enjoy the other attractions not found on the postcards and maps.

On the first day students walked through Red Square. They also journeyed to the WWII and Cold War leader, Joseph Stalin's tomb. To one it was strange to find herself in front of this massive tomb of a man who had been described as "eternally aggressive" and who had been compared to Adolf Hitler. To the students it wasn't as emotional an experienceas a trip to Arlington National Cemetery and the eternal flame of President John F. Kennedy, however it put history into perspective.

On the second day they continued their historical journey and viewed the Kremlin building and saw an impressionist exhibit at the Armoury Museum.

Their last day in Moscow they took a break from their normal routine and ended the tour bus venturing with a trip to Ismailov, a russian flea market. This flea market was very different from the American version, the trinkets were not old or second hand, instead it was simply a large assortment of random things being sold on the same table. There they were offered(to buy, that is, they're not that nice) gifts galore including shawls, pictures and hand-painted woodwork. My roommate got me a gold painted typical russian ladle spoon with tremendous personality.



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A view of the unique architecture.

From Moscow they journeyed on an overnight train which was the source of most of the fear in the travellers minds. Apparently it was almost amazing if a train was not gassed and pillaged by thieves. In one cabin four women bolted both of the locks on the door, added a bicycle lock and placed furniture in front of the door. They slept with their money on them and when they woke up in St. Petersburg were surprised to find all still intact. Their journey had been lucky.

They arrived in St. Petersburg at 8:00 a.m. after spending the night on the train and stayed in the St. Petersburg Hotel. On the first day, they continued their bus tours and toured the city and its vicinity. On the second day they were enthralled by Pushkin and Bakalov and stymied by the intensity, grandeur and stature of Catherine the Great's and Michael's palaces. On their final day they went to an Art School where they viewed the works of many young promising artists who had captured the simplicity of the imperial and natural surroundings of St. Petersburg.

"A great place to visit. A very interesting and great experience, but living there...I would not want to," said one student. The travellers experienced for only a little while the hardships that many Russians were feeling. Some students had to pay a lot for a meal at Pizza Hut, others observed the enormity of the inflation as the average U.S. dollar was worth 4000 rubles.

In 1990, when one student was visiting, she recalls that 6 rubles were worth one dollar. Those on the trip experienced a small slice of the Russian lifestyle. The trip showed the students the incredible beauty of the Russian country and at the same time the immense problems and hardships that the Russian people and the new government are still trying to overcome.

FYI: AIDS Awareness

By Diann Lynch
R.N.C.C.H.N.

Studies tell us that the average college student is well informed about AIDS. The media has provided us with educational and statistical information and television has brought AIDS into our homes in a variety of ways. While in high school, most students discussed safe sex and AIDS in health or other classes. And yet, studies also tell us that even though college students are well informed, they have not significantly changed their behavior to reduce the risk of getting AIDS.

One possible reason for this is that, for the most part, college age students perceive themselves as invincible. They know and understand the facts about AIDS but have an attitude of "it happens to other people, it won't happen to me."

Consider these statistics:

* One in 250 persons in the United States is infected with HIV.

* HIV infection/AIDS is the number one cause of death among Americans 25-44 years old.

*One in 500 college students is infected with HIV.

* 85% of the AIDS cases reported throughout the world are transmitted through heterosexual encounters.

* The Public Health Service projected a year ago that by this year the cumulative number of diagnosed AIDS cases will be in the range of 415,000-535,000.

So what do all these statistics mean to you, a student at Hamilton College? It means that no matter what your sexual orientation is, you are at a high risk of getting HIV if you are practicing unsafe sex.

If you are having casual sex with multiple partners, chances are those partners have also had multiple partners and you are both at the risk for not only HIV, but other sexually transmitted diseases. If you are having vaginal, anal or oral sex without a condom or another latex barrier, you are at a greater risk for getting HIV. If you are having sex when drunk or high, you are at a greater risk because you are most likely to forget to use a condom or not use it properly.

The safest sex is, of course, no sex. But if you are having sex, you should know your partner and their sexual history. Always use a latex condom with nonoxynol-9 spermicide. A condom must be put on an erect penis before any contact is made between the penis and any part of the partners body. Latex barriers or dental dams should be used when having oral sex. Condoms should also be used with vibrators and other sex toys.

HIV and other STD's are preventable, but you alone are responsible for your sexual health. The Student Health Service has a variety of pamphlets on HIV and other STD's. Free condoms continue to be available in the waiting room.

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Mind Matters: Wintertime blues

By Michael Moshier '95
PEER ADVISOR

Many people get depressed through the long dreary days of a Hamilton winter. For some, however, this depression is more than just being a little bummed out about the weather - it's a real psychological change that they've undergone called Seasonal Affective Disorder (SAD). SAD is actually a lot more common than one would think.

The symptoms of Seasonal Affective Disorder include: sluggishness, irritability, loss of interest in sex, depression, craving for sleep, and binges on carbohydrates. This last symptom is especially distinct to Seasonal Affective Disorder because, with most forms of depression, the person loses her, or his, appetite. Unfortunately, most of these symptoms can be passed off as a result of normal everyday occurances.

The source of Seasonal Affective Disorder is a naturally occuring sleep-inducing hormome called melatonin which is produced in darkness. Some people are simply more prone to melatonin production than others on darker days. Some researchers believe that melatonin production is a residual trait left over from prehistoric humans. These hunters and gatherers adapted to the scarce food supply of winter months by sleeping more to conserve energy.

The treatment for Seasonal Affecve Disorder is a fairly simple and practical approach. Some doctors even suggest simply increasing the time spent outdoors during the winter months to get a little more exposure to light. The standard treatment, however, utilizes a SunBox which mimics natural sunlight. Someone with Seasonal Affective Disorder will usually spend several hours a day exposed to the artificial light. Because this is just a slender 24 inch box which can be turned on during basic everyday activities within a certain area of the box, the treatment should not greatly disrupt a person's regular schedule. In addition, this simple procedure generally relieves all of the symptoms of Seasonal Affective Disorder.

Besides the standard symptoms of Seasonal Affective Disorder, about one third of SAD sufferers also experience a "hypomania" during the summer months. This is effectively a 'rebound' with which the person experiences exhilarating energy with a decreased need for sleep. Sometimes thought and speech patterns increase as well. Hypomania can be treated with drugs. However, many patients enjoy hypomania and defer treatment.

In addition to the common form of Seasonal Affective Disorder, a smaller percentage of the population experiences summer depression instead. With this, the sufferer feels listless and depressed during the summer and energetic in the winter. Unlike winter depression, however, the summer depressed person is unable to sleep well and loses her or his appetite. This form of Seasonal Affective Disorder can sometimes be treated simply by spending more time in an air conditioned environment.

Michael Terman, Ph.D. of the New York State Psychiatric Institute, claims that winter depression is about four times more prevalent than summer depression. In addition, about six to seven percent of the population suffers from what he calls "a double whammy." That is, this small percentage feels bad in both the middle winter months and the middle summer months. The good new is, however, that "It appears people can bounce back and forth between symptons and relief quite quickly." The miracle of modern medicine has made treatment for Seasonal Affective Disorder a simple and easy procedure. So the moral of the story is that "there ain't no cure for the wintertime blues" just ain't true.

Restaurant review: Pumpernickel's

By Doc Monroe '95
RESTAURANT CRITIC

Pumpernickel's Original New York Delicatessen
Center Court
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Sometimes you go to a place and you love it. And sometimes, when you're telling your friends about that great place, and they ask you why you liked it so much, you can't answer. It can be hard to pin down the exact reasons for why you like a place. Was the service exquisite? Was the food a culinary delight? Was the decor elegant? Your answer to all of these questions may be no. But, for some reason you eat at this place and you know you'll be back. And, for some reason you go back again and again without any of the standard responses that would make this restaurant one of your favorites, but it is. That's what's confusing about Pumpernickel's. I loved it, but I can't tell you why.

Now, this proves problematic for one who has the job of telling a large number of people about a restaurant and why it's so great. Basically, you'll just have to trust me. Maybe it's just that I felt comfortable at this secluded corner of the New Hartford Shopping Center. Maybe it's that I had just found some great deals at Herb Phillipson's and my euphoria was transferred to my meal and surroundings. Maybe I was just having one of those days. But, it had to be that I had three of those days in a row because that is how many times I have been back. Maybe this article is beginning to become a little wordy and confusing. Maybe it's because I am feeling a little wordy and confused. But hey, it's my article.

Pumpernickel's is located in the Center Court of the New Hartford Shopping Center. You probably don't even know that there is a center court there, but look hard enough and you'll find it. I wouldn't exactly call it a court, but a hallway with teeny little restaurants along it. Pumpernickel's is at the end of this hallway on the left. The decor consists of some playbill's under the glass on the tables, and some poster's about the Big Apple on the wall. Some of the items on the menu are interesting. The Honey Fried Chicken sounds delicious, and the Hot Roast Beef with Cheddar and a Croissant is

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A Valentine's Day soliloquy

By The Features Editors

Valentine's, the day of hearts and love and flowers...you either love it or you really hate it. There seems to be a *strange* coincidence; people who love Valentine's are those who have a "significant other", the ones who hate it are those who don't. It's that simple. At Hamilton it came and went with various people running around frantically with a bunch of roses in hand or a card yelling, "Are they around? Can I sneak in, are you sure?" Without ever realizing that their "better half" is at this very moment running down the hallway of their room with a big batch of balloons.

The mail center was a mess and people were shuffling in and stumbling out in single file because it seemed like all of Hamilton College suddenly remembered their mail box combination! Moms and Dads had been busy shopping for candy and the Health Center was busy handling cases of chocolate poisoning.

In the depths of List dark faces huddled together. "So how are we gonna pull this off?" "Who do they want us to get again?" They planned and connived and then they immerged in search of their pray...In the dining hall they were caught and even in their own rooms..The Buffergrams were a *big* success. With stickers and song they embraced their victims. Later at night the carnations were brought to the rooms and the poor delivery guy had to convince people that he *wasn't* going to try and break out into song! "Just delivering !" he'd say over and over again to unconvinced faces.

The festivities started the weekend before and will continue this weekend with semi-formals everywhere. Women dressed up in high heeled shoes(some in search of a Valentine to share the day with) and hair all done up only to walk outside and immediately run back in to put on a wool hat, hiking boots and for some even a pair of jogging pants. The shoes went into a bag and the hair was just too bad because it was ^&^%##@# cold at Hamilton that weekend! The parties didn't end until early in the morning, regardless of the howling wind outside.

Cards, Flowers, Chocolates, Broadway tickets, dinners and various other creative things that can't be mentioned here were given away. Valentine's Day at Hamilton was hectic and fun...and for those of you who don't like it at all..Humbug. I'm a cynic and I'm big enough to admit that even the deepest despisers of Valentine's (of which I am one) get all warm inside when they get a carnation or a valentine's chocolate. Take that with a grain of salt. Hope you all had a good one!

Cat's Cook Corner:

Lemon Squares

When you're saturated with chocolate, try this recipe as a delicious change for your sweet tooth. So quick and easy, it's perfect for an unexpected occasion.

Ingredients:

8 tablespoons (1 stick) butter, softened
1 cup plus 2 tablespoons all purpose flour
1/2 cup powdered sugar
2 eggs, beaten well
1 cup sugar
Juice and grated peel of 1 lemon

1. Preheat the toaster oven to 350 degrees farenheit
2. Combine the butter, 1 cup flour, and the powdered sugar together in a small mixing bowl. The mixture will be dry and crumbly
3. Press this crumbly mixture into the bottom of an aluminum foil baking pan to from a crust. Use a spon to pack it down. Bake it in the toaster oven for 15 minutes, making sure that the crust does not get brown.
4. While the crust is baking, combine the beaten eggs, sugar, and 2 tablespoons flour, lemon juice, and lemon peel. (You can use the same bowl you used for the crust-there's no need to wash it out.) Mix well and set aside.
5. Pour the lemon mixture onot the baked crust. Return the pan to the oven and continue baking at the same temperature for an additional 20 to 25 minutes. Remove the pan from the toaster oven and allow it to cool. Cut into squares.

Serves 4 to 8

Pumpernickel's

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exceptional. They serve breakfast all day, which is always a plus in my book. Don't forget to order tapioca pudding for dessert.

The most remarkable thing about Pumpernickel's is that it is secluded. Not everyone can find it, and it's not teeming with customers. The place offers good food(deli sandwiches, Texas French Toast, and hot dogs) with service that's friendly and personal. The prices for entrees range from $3.95-$5.95. It's a great place to go, get away for a change, and enjoy an intimate Corned Beef on Rye with someone you love(or like).

Let's face it. In the middle of Central New York, we're not going to find a deli that compares to the ones in the middle of Manhattan. Pumpernickel's combines the good food of a New York deli, and the good, hometown sevice of Central New York. The ambiance is nice, the food satisfying, and the service friendly. I like it, even if I can't tell you why. You'll just have to go and find out yourself...so there.

Love,
Doc

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Poet's Corner

In the Dark

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asking for time
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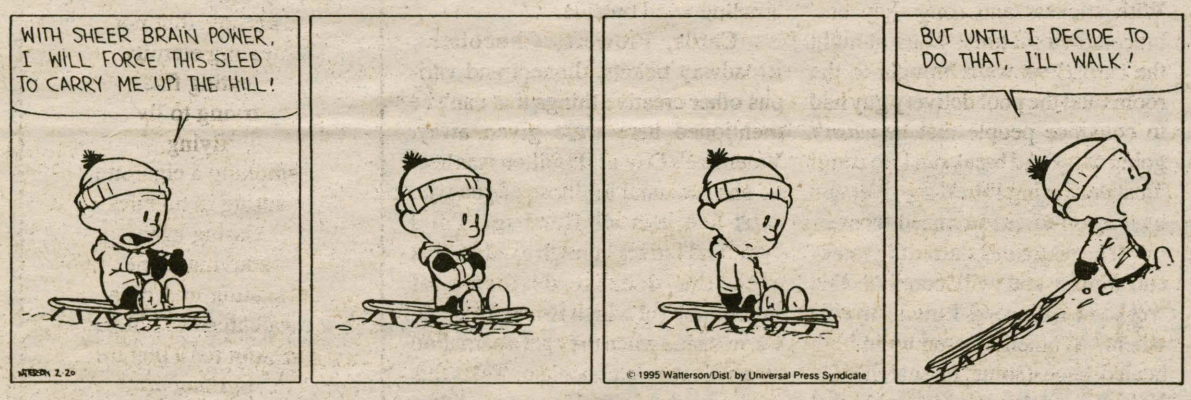
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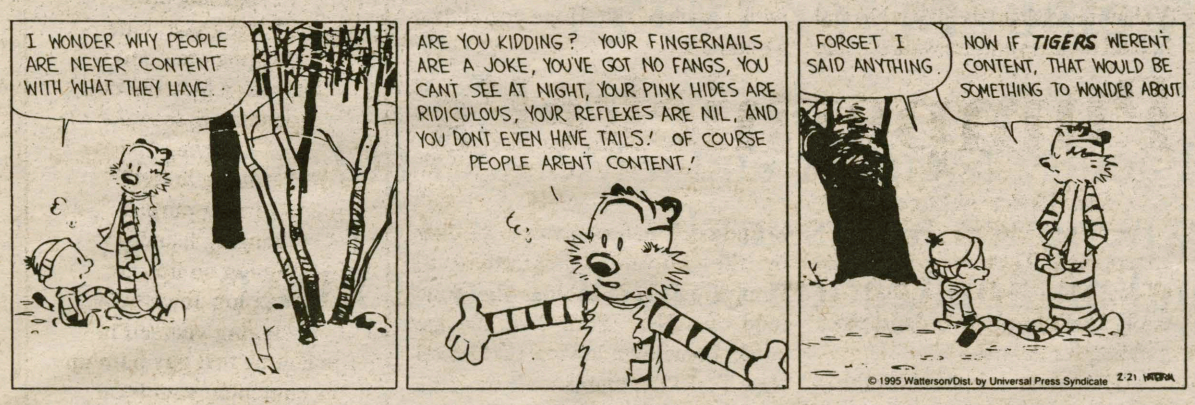
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ARE YOU KIDDING? YOUR FINGERNAILS ARE A JOKE, YOU'VE GOT NO FANGS, YOU CAN'T SEE AT NIGHT, YOUR PINK HIDES ARE RIDICULOUS, YOUR REFLEXES ARE NIL, AND YOU DON'T EVEN HAVE TAILS! OF COURSE PEOPLE AREN'T CONTENT!
FORGET I SAID ANYTHING.
NOW IF TIGERS WEREN'T CONTENT, THAT WOULD BE SOMETHING TO WONDER ABOUT.
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Quotable Quotes

By Joshua Ribner '97

"Yeah, they do. But it sucks--they don't show penetration!"
-Bill Murphy '96, after being asked if the local cable company offers the Playboy Channel.

"You know what the answer is, so make the math fit."
-Professor Jones of the Economics Department. Rule number three of Jonesian Economics. Another step towards toughening Hamilton's academic reputation.

**********Kelly Overton Strikes at Random**********

"As soon as she sticks her tongue out, you know she wants it."
-Kelly Overton '96, of whom are we speaking??

"I would too, if I were a dog."
-Kelly Overton '96, we'll leave that one up to your imagination...that's enough of that.

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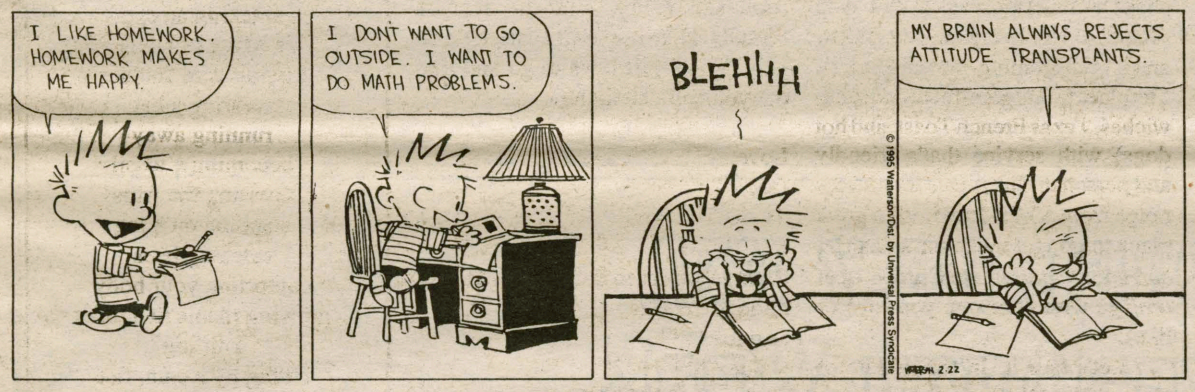
"Did I black out this year? I don't know, but I think I did."
-Heather Hakanson '95, on her Hamilton partying experience.

"Maybe it's me, maybe it's you, but I'm fuzzy about this stroke thing."
-"Baby Face" Piet Von Leer of the Rochester sqash team during their most recent match against Hamilton.

"I'm an introvert except when I'm loud and obnoxious."
-Edward Bielejec '96, on shyness.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I DON'T WANT TO GO OUTSIDE. I WANT TO DO MATH PROBLEMS.
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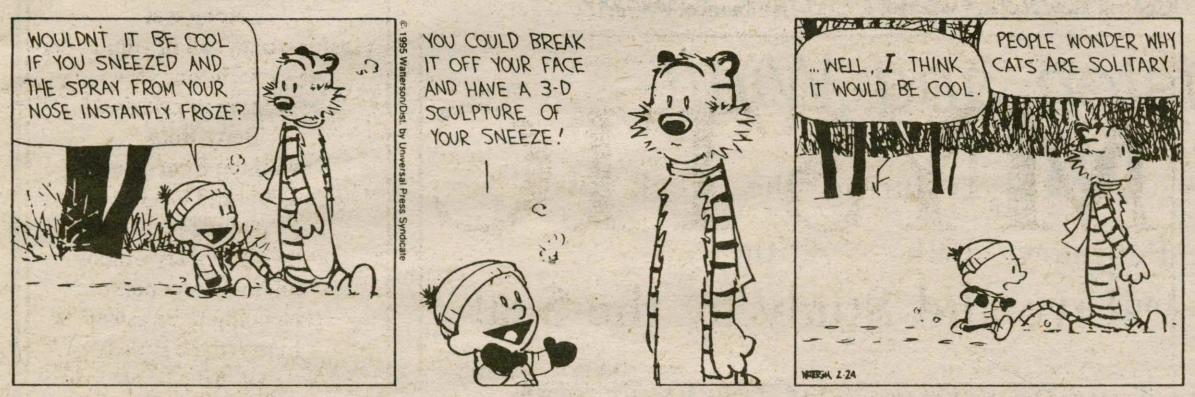
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YOU COULD BREAK IT OFF YOUR FACE AND HAVE A 3-D SCULPTURE OF YOUR SNEEZE!
...WELL, I THINK IT WOULD BE COOL.
PEOPLE WONDER WHY CATS ARE SOLITARY.
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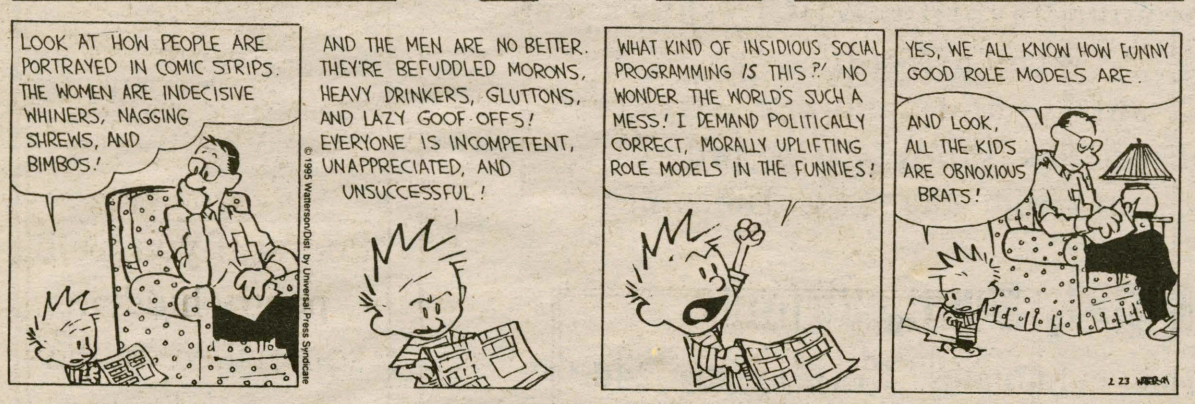
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AND THE MEN ARE NO BETTER. THEY'RE BEFUDDLED MORONS, HEAVY DRINKERS, GLUTTONS, AND LAZY GOOF-OFFS! EVERYONE IS INCOMPETENT, UNAPPRECIATED, AND UNSUCCESSFUL!
WHAT KIND OF INSIDIOUS SOCIAL PROGRAMMING IS THIS?! NO WONDER THE WORLD'S SUCH A MESS! I DEMAND POLITICALLY CORRECT, MORALLY UPLIFTING ROLE MODELS IN THE FUNNIES!
YES, WE ALL KNOW HOW FUNNY GOOD ROLE MODELS ARE.
AND LOOK, ALL THE KIDS ARE OBNOXIOUS BRATS!
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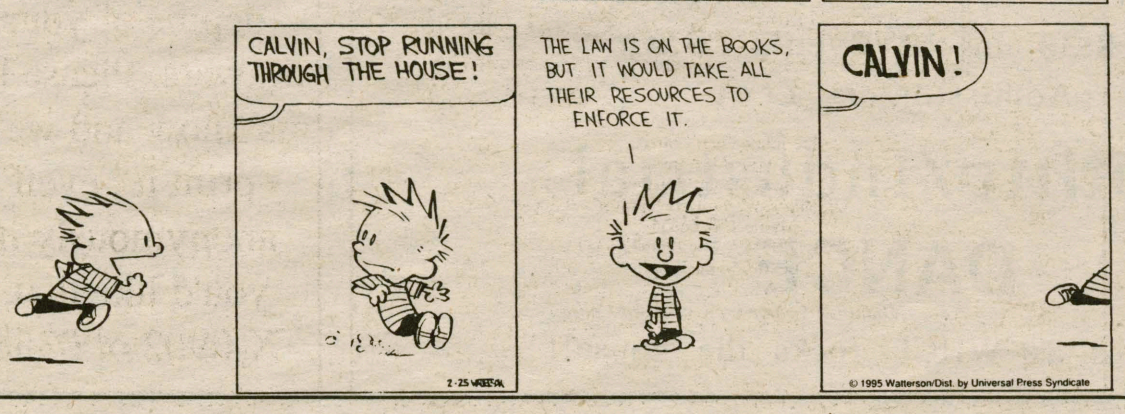
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THE LAW IS ON THE BOOKS, BUT IT WOULD TAKE ALL THEIR RESOURCES TO ENFORCE IT.
CALVIN!
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Letters and Op-Ed

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As Zapatistas go, so do Mexico's prospects for democracy

This is part of a series of articles written by members of Hamilton on Latin America (HOLA). Although this column is devoted to the opinions of HOLA members, it does not necessarily reflect the views of the organization as a whole. HOLA meetings take place every Tuesday at 4 in the CJ Browsing Room and are open to all interested faculty and students.

Chris Albro

HOLA

Over the past week, two major developments have returned Mexico to the international spotlight. On a seemingly positive and ground-breaking note, the Party of Institutional Revolution (PRI), which has controlled the country's government continuously since its establishment in 1929, took a dramatic step toward democracy by recognizing the electoral victory of two opposition candidates: Alberto Cárdenas Jiménez as governor of the important state of Jalisco, and César Coll as mayor of Guadalajara, Jalisco's capital, and second largest city in Mexico. Members of the same opposition party, the conservative and Catholic National Action Party (PAN), also won other important posts throughout the state including other mayoral elections and state legislative posts. On a more negative note, Mexico's recently elected president, Ernesto Zedillo, undertook a major shift in the government's policy toward the pro-democracy rebel forces in the southern state of Chiapas by sending troops into the disputed territory on Friday. Although the ban on entry into the area was lifted late Wednesday when the military offensive halted, reporters and human rights observers were not allowed into the zone of conflict for days, preventing them from investigating reports of government bombing and strafing of area communities. The irony of the juxtaposition of these two events is difficult to ignore. While the government claims to have taken great steps toward democracy in the center of the country by accepting the victory of the PAN, it is simultaneously attempting to undercut one of the most democratic forces in the country, the rebel Zapatistas.

Although this author harbors few prejudices against armed struggle as a form of obtaining social justice, it is important to note that the demands of the Zapatistas are dramatically different from those of other guerrilla movements of ill-repute in Nicaragua, El Salvador, Peru, or other Latin American countries during the eighties. The Zapatista movement is not looking to overthrow the Mexican government. They are not looking to establish a socialist state nor ally themselves with any existing political party. On the contrary, the Zapatistas are one of the most democratic forces in the country. They have contributed to the development of democracy in Mexico by threatening an armed uprising against the often despotic PRI, as well as attracting national and international attention to the undemocratic realities of Mexico's one-party system.

After their initial uprising on the first of January, 1994, the rebels have called for a commitment by the government to free and fair elections. The rebels have stood by their demands for democracy throughout the negotiations with the government and have refused to tell their soldiers to put down their weapons until they feel that election results have been respected throughout the country. When there was blatant fraud during the state's gubernatorial elections, the Zapatistas had no choice but to respond with condemnations. Notably, they did not employ armed force.

Now that Zedillo has been elected president and is eager to stabilize his regime, he is no longer interested in hearing the rebel's demands. Zedillo faces two: complying with them, which would inevitably give rise to protest within his party and damage his reputation, or he could crack down on them, which would result in condemnations from pro-democracy and human rights advocates. Obeying the pressures of the market, which has been skittish about armed movements, and the need for a commanding image, Zedillo has chosen to undermine the movement through a mixture of military might and political guile. The government identified and published the pictures of rebel leaders, unmasking them and seeking their arrest. The army then moved into the movement's zone of influence, driving the rebels and much of the citizenry back to the hills. Since the movement appeared, the government has also tried to undercut its support by pouring money into local development projects and jobs. After undercutting the Zapatistas' base of support, invading their territory and exposing their leaders, the government now wants to negotiate. The fraudulently elected governor has magnanimously agreed to step down in favor of another PRI appointed leader hoping to ease tensions. He also suggested that the opposition candidate who probably won the election, Amando Avendaño, dismantle the parallel government he founded. With even more unfounded arrogance, he claimed that Samuel Ruíz, the area bishop and chief mediator during negotiations with the rebels, should also resign. While easing tensions is a good idea in principle, it seems that, in this case, it would mean removing all salient democratic forces from the state and largely de-clawing the democracy movement nation-wide.

In light of the skeptical way in which democracy has been treated by the government in the south, the PAN victories in Jalisco do not seem so astoundingly positive. Although the victories of this party should by no means be discounted — the PAN has proved itself to be a very democratic party, especially in terms of its internal decision-making apparati — a PAN victory, even in a key state such as Jalisco, will be considerably less damaging to the PRI's programs than a salient and popular force which refuses to play by the rules of its undemocratic game. The PAN has been the ideal form of loyal opposition to the PRI. The party has complied with the government on virtually every political pact and has been very wary of criticizing its undemocratic practices too directly. Today, the party's platform is virtually indistinguishable from that of the PRI, advocating free market reforms and opposing the social programs of the PRI's 'revolutionary' past. On top of its conservatism and tendency toward cooperation as the loyal opposition, it is unlikely that PAN leaders would be able to deviate from the PRI norms in a state that is still so ingrained in the ruling party's corporatist tradition. Jalisco, as is characteristic of many central states, is a bastion of support for pro-government unions and popular groups. Although a PAN victory is an unquestionably positive development for democracy, it is clearly less threatening to the PRI leadership than the Zapatista movement.

President Zedillo does not deserve an image as a democrat. More appropriately, he has earned the title of "politician" for his unexpected mastery of PRI political tactics. The Ivy League-trained technocrat has learned to isolate the idealistic, uncorruptable enemies of the party, in this case the Zapatistas, while mollifying the more loyal opposition by giving in to its demands. Once the Zapatistas' democratic struggle has been quashed, easing pressure on the government, Zedillo will have the opportunity to show how democratic he truly is. Once the Zapatistas are gone, however, there may well be fewer ground-breaking elections like the one the country just witnessed.

HEOP should take center stage

Bill Murphy

Dead Center

Last week *The Spectator* asked that we write in and discuss what we think about the "Fraternity issue." First of all, this is actually the Fraternity **and** Sorority issue, and the fact that people often ignore the sisterly component of the society system is both an insult and an atrocity. But I digress...

Private Societies are a divisive issue that people are so involved in that they can't be objective. People have let their emotions run away with them; so much so that some are actually arguing that the school should have let the Psi U Brothers freeze, and apparently die of carbon monoxide poisoning, rather than help them. Some of the people voicing these feelings are faculty and administrators. If the faculty were more willing to get involved in such activities as faculty tours, meals in dining halls, Endeavors, organizational leadership, and advisory positions, then they would have the right to pass judgement on the Hamilton societies, the great "student—faculty rift" would not exist.

If you hate Fraternities so much that you want to put Psi U out in the cold, you need to re-examine your values. Odds are, you are a bleeding heart who turns to ice as soon as someone you don't agree with needs you.

Yet, this is not my what I believe is important about the "Fraternity issue." It is a dead horse we need beat no longer. There are more important issues. Last week *The Spectator* highlighted a variety of things, but ignored the most important issue on campus. I have searched several times, and **nowhere** in last week's paper was the fact that HEOP, one of

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EDITORIAL

Language requirement unnecessary

The movement to institute a language requirement at Hamilton continues to build up steam. Tentative plans now call for instituting the requirement beginning either next year with the Class of 1999 or in the following year. Much can be said in support of instruction in a foreign language. Nevertheless, there is no need for a language requirement.

Proponents of the measure emphasize the importance of the knowledge of a second tongue in todays's increasingly international business environment. However, for every skill that Hamilton students may be required to learn, there are others that may be equally essential that they do not have to learn. Computer skills, for example, in coming decades will be arguably more important for conducting business than knowledge of a foreign language. Yet, Hamilton does not require students to take courses in computer science or even classes that require anything beyond basic word processing skills.

A language requirement would place a heavy burden upon all students. Though it remains unclear exactly how many semesters of instruction in a foreign language may be mandated under the new requirement, most students and faculty members feel that four semesters of classes is the minimum that is necessary for students to acquire potentially useful language skills. If the language is taken for any less than this amount of time, its impact upon students is likely to be lost.

Four semesters is a considerable amount of time over the course of a four year college career and the language classes required could amount to an eighth of all classes taken by most Hamilton students. Few other existing requirements mandate that as large a proportion of courses be taken exclusively in one subject area. As a result, a language requirement would limit the ability of students to study abroad and declare minors or double majors.

Additionally, a greatly increased demand would be placed upon the various language departments which would likely have to hire new faculty members. Funds to pay their salaries might have to come at the expense of other departments. In short, the imposition upon both students and faculty created by a language requirement would outweigh its benefits.

Some have argued that a language requirement will enhance Hamilton's reputation and ability to attract high quality students. This is clearly not the case. Some academically strong students are drawn to Hamilton because of the lack of a requirement. Throughout the nation, many other leading universities and liberal arts colleges do not have a language requirement. Brown University, which is notable for its lack of course requirements, nonetheless continues to attract top-notch students from around the nation.

An alternative proposal which deserves consideration at Hamilton, involves making language courses an alternative to other requirements already in existence. Languages can and should be encouraged, but they should not be mandated.

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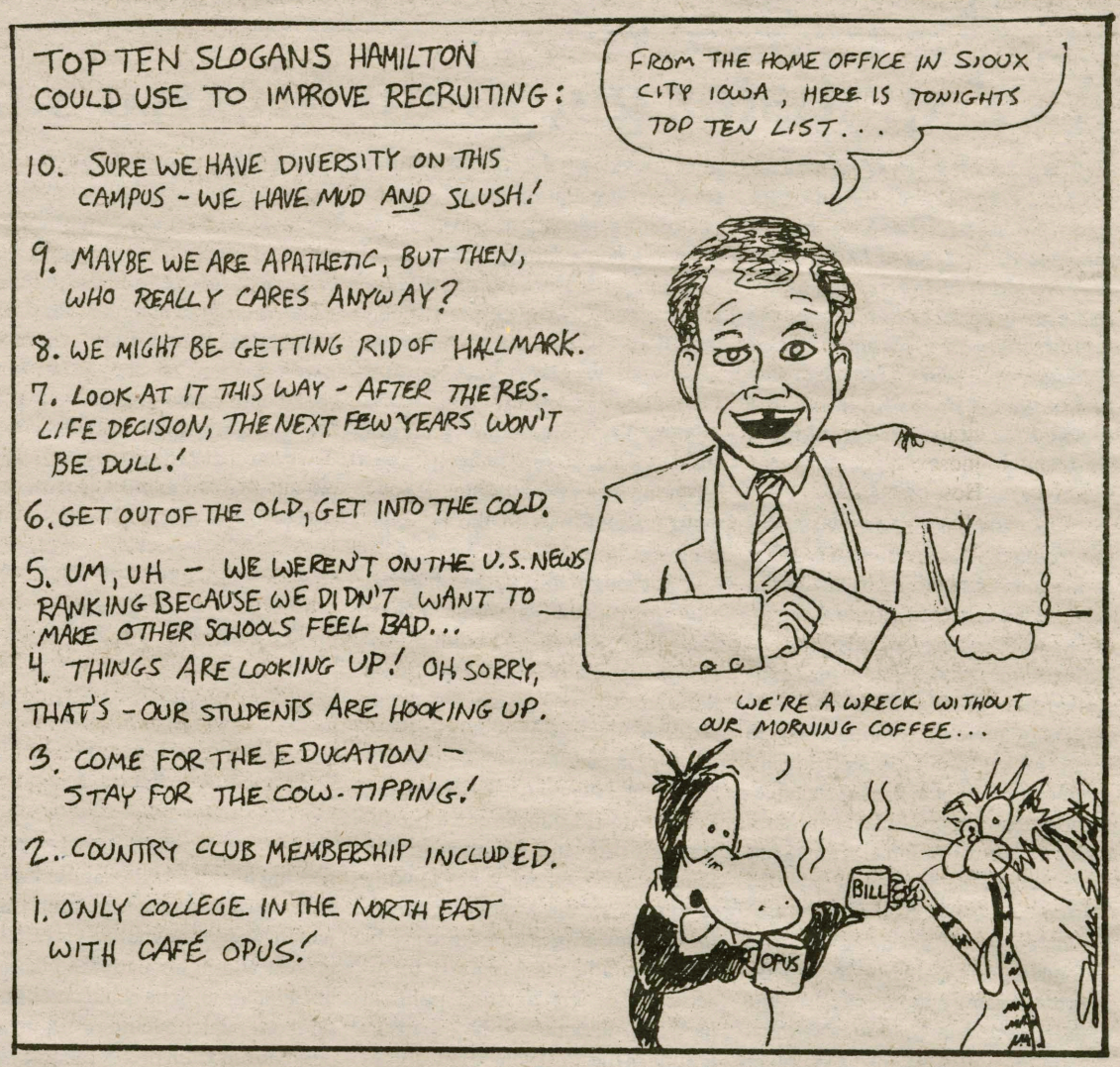
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9. MAYBE WE ARE APATHETIC, BUT THEN, WHO REALLY CARES ANYWAY?
8. WE MIGHT BE GETTING RID OF HALLMARK.
7. LOOK AT IT THIS WAY - AFTER THE RES. LIFE DECISION, THE NEXT FEW YEARS WON'T BE DULL!
6. GET OUT OF THE OLD, GET INTO THE COLD.
5. UM, UH - WE WEREN'T ON THE U.S. NEWS RANKING BECAUSE WE DIDN'T WANT TO MAKE OTHER SCHOOLS FEEL BAD...
4. THINGS ARE LOOKING UP! OH SORRY, THAT'S - OUR STUDENTS ARE HOOKING UP.
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WE'RE A WRECK WITHOUT OUR MORNING COFFEE...
BILL
OPUS

Letters to the Editor

Spectator acted irresponsibly by reporting EMT activity

To the editor:

Two weeks ago, *The Spectator* ran a piece in the News Briefs section of the paper about two EMT calls that occurred on campus the previous week. As Coordinator of HCEMS, I am very concerned about the information presented in that article.

Hamilton College EMT calls are certainly not a secret happening. They usually attract a crowd, especially if the ambulance is called to campus. They are, however, confidential. The information that *The Spectator* reported was hearsay and did not come from any member of HCEMS or the Student Health Service. Some of the information was grossly inaccurate.

My fear is that students will be reluctant to call for emergency care if they think they may see a story about it in next week's edition of *The Spectator*.

I would encourage *The Spectator's* staff to respect the privacy of all students on campus in this regard.

Diann Lynch, RNC
Student Health Service

Support HAVOC's Alternative Spring Break

To the editor:

On March 12, 45 Hamilton students will pack their bags for spring break. In their duffels they will bring t-shirts, sunscreen, a pillow and a HAMMER! These noble individuals are giving up a week on the beach for the opportunity to give something back to the community. Yet, that doesn't mean they won't have fun in the sun. Alternative Break is one of the most rewarding and productive opportunities offered to Hamilton students.

This year Alternative Break is offering two trips. The first is to Homestead, Florida. Homestead still remains one of Florida's most devastated areas as a result of Hurricane Andrew. Students going to Florida will work on construction of new single-family homes. Travellers to North Carolina will be submerged in a number of activities including home repair and weatherization, Head Start work, and child care.

A number of fundraisers will help defray the costs of the two trips. On Wednesday, February 22nd, the second annual Alternative Break Benefit Concert will be held, showcasing the talents of many Hamilton students. Three short days later the campus will be blessed with the heavenly sounds of the Buffers, Hamiltones, and Special K, and the devilish humor of Bobby Peru. Coin drives are under way in Beinecke, Bristol, and the Diner. A dog sled competition is also in the works for later this winter.

A special thank you goes out to all those who have generously donated their time and money to this year's Alternative Break. If you have any questions about the Break or would like to help out in any way (we are still looking for musical talent for the concert), please call the HAVOC office at x4195.

Whitney Ashbridge
Leandre Waldo

Food Committee solicits suggestions

To the editor:

The Committee working on the Food Service Contract welcomes your suggestions or comments about the current food service program and about what we should incorporate in the future contract. You can either send them to the e-mail box "foodcmnt" or to any member of the Committee through campus mail.

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An open forum on fraternities

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Hamilton should fight its environment of intellectual disrespect

To the editor:

How many times have you sat in a class, the dining hall or at a social event and over heard a person discussing an important issue such as racial discrimination and prejudice, imposition of gender roles, Hamilton's administrative policies, attitudes about homosexuality, or more global issues. How many times have you percieved that this person had opposing political views to your own, and dismissed their argument as inaccurate without listening? I think we have all been guilty of this crime. I am a prime example. I have sat in a class and ignored a speaker based on my preconceived notions of this person and what they represent to me. How can we get past this unconstructive behavior? How can we learn to respect each other and our opinions? Why does one opinion have to be completely negated by another? When we "listen" to each other why do we only allow ourselves to hear as much as we "need to" in order to sum up the argument of our "enemy" and prepare for our counterattack?

This lack of intellectual respect is easily identifiable here at Hamilton College- not only among individuals, but among student organizations as well. We have a problem, for example, when students vehemently attack a new organization on campus on a radio show without any real understanding of the objectives of the organization. How can we promote dialogue on this campus, when students prefer personal slander rather than a discussion of social and political issues?

I am not suggesting that there can be no political or social opposition in our community. In fact, I strongly encourage everyone in the Hamilton Community to vocalize his or her anger, frustrations, and dissatisfactions. I know people are angry about various attitudes and institutions here on campus and in the world at large. I too am angry. But, instead of expressing this anger toward particular people, or discussing our views within our own little circles, we have to reach out and articulate our feelings to the rest of the community.

In addition, we have to realize that we all come from very different backgrounds and experiences. This requires us to examine these complex issues without limiting our analysis to how they affect us personally, but how they affect others as well. In order to gain a better understanding of other peoples' opinions, we must begin to listen. Through patience and diligence we can attain an understanding of the issues and who is affected by them.

There are, however, cases when a person's opinion lacks the basis of thoughtfulness and consideration that certain issues deserve. The only possible response to this is to question their ignorance. How do Hamilton students justify their lack of knowledge in regards to the specifics of such topics as race, gender, and other fundamental subjects? We all have the privilege of access to resources and information to help our understanding of critical issues. Because this opportunity has been given to us, we must take advantage of it and use it in productive discourse and consciousness-raising activities. Ignorance can not be an excuse any longer. Before we can attempt open discourse we should educate ourselves to the discussion at hand. We can not be limited by what we have always believed, but we can participate in discourse about issues which in the past may have made many of us frustrated, alienated and marginalized within this small community.

We can not allow this disrespect for others to continue any longer. If we want to be understood and respected, we must have respect and listen to others' opinions. We should not personally criticize people through Spectator articles, radio shows or any other media source. Instead of building barriers between each other and our groups, why not try to build connections? If we want to express our conflicting opinions, why not have two dissenting opinions represented, and attempt to understand each others' opinions? If we discuss an issue without talking past one another, we will not only communicate more effectively, but we will also begin to understand each other better.

If we truly believe what we say, we should not be afraid to confront "the enemy" in person. We should engage in real dialogue where we listen to thoughtful and educated voices. We should respect others as colleagues and peers who may not always agree, but are at least willing to understand our opinions. We have a responsibility to each other to confront and eliminate intellectual disrespect on this campus. We must challenge one another to engage in open discourse in order to stimulate new areas of thought and interest among Hamilton students.

Christin Mullen '95

Hamilton College should implement language requirement

To the editor:

With the effects of mass communication innovations just beginning to reach Hamilton and the rest of the country, the world has become that much smaller. Telecommunication has paved the way for advanced networking between cultures, allowing for social, political, and economic interaction on a more efficient and personable scale.

So what does this have to do with Hamilton? Quite simply, employers are looking for students with multilingual skills that respond to today's business needs. The world has become wide open and more accessible through technology, and, coupled with social advances in many third world countries, businesses will demand an understanding of other cultures. In order to stay competitive with other countries in the global market, I feel that more emphasis should be placed on languages at secondary and undergraduate schools.

After attending school in Europe for a year, I quickly realized how vital learning another language is. In order for students in smaller nations to compete in the job market, they are forced to learn at least one another language, usually German or English. But for those with aspirations of leaving their country to work, they often enter a high school that offers a variety of languages in addition to standard state curricula. I attended such a high school in Denmark, and during the second semester I was taking five languages along with science, music, and math courses. I found that my Danish colleagues had an incredible advantage over me with their knowledge of cultures outside of their own.

In order for the United States to remain competitive in the global market, we must evolve with the advances surrounding us. A language requirement at undergraduate schools like Hamilton would provide students with a strong base of knowledge of different cultures and further the development of personal interactive skills. We as a nation need to respond to these massive societal changes with action, not apathy, or we will eventually be left behind.

We as members of the academic community must respond by expanding our mindset outside of U.S. borders and into the rest of our ever-shrinking world.

Eric Freedman '98

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the most important programs we have at Hamilton and other New York State colleges, is, under the crippling fist of Governor Pataki, in jeopardy. Almost every day, I discuss the presence of private, Greek letter organizations on this campus, and every time, I get nowhere. Now there is something of significance that affects all students on campus. Every organization (fraternities, sororities, the GLBSA, the BLSU, the Womyn's Center, etc.) on campus stands to lose tremendously if the HEOP program is cut. They are affected not because HEOP necessarily affects a large number of their members, although HEOP students are present in many organizations on campus, but because the destruction of this program will surely weaken Hamilton as a whole.

What's wrong with fraternities? I ask you, what's wrong with Hamilton? If it stands that the society issue is so important that we cannot stop our bickering to see the common ground that every one at Hamilton has, then fine. But remember that by ignoring the governor's plan to cut HEOP we are ignoring the needs of our classmates, Brothers, Sisters, members, support groupers, and friends. Next year, the "fraternity issue" will continue to be a divisive debate, only next year, with HEOP cut, there will be a few less of us to argue either side. Yet, we continue bickering, while real people with problems far more significant than those of a few college students are threatened.

Don't think that this infamous March decision is going to solve all Hamilton's problems. Fraternities have been the scapegoat for Hamliton's problems for a long time, and next year when those problems are still here, with or without the houses, perhaps people will realize the fruitlessness of this argument. However, in a few years much of this will seem irrelevant. Hamilton is a pretty swell place if our worst problem is that some people think that forty percent of the campus (depending on whose estimates you go by) is controlling the social life. But that isn't our only problem, and last week, we ignored something that is more important than whether societies should be here, why the food is so "bad," and why our residence halls are a little cold. The problem is that next year our residence halls might be a little empty. Whether HEOP students are members of societies or are anti—society does not matter. What I care about—what we should all care about—is that they are Hamilton students.

I don't mind arguing about societies on occasion, but we argue about it all the time. For many of us it's a personal issue, and we feel it necessary to fight for what we believe in, or believe against as the case may be. However, if all we argue about, if all we fight for, is the abolishment/retention of the Fraternities and Sororities, then we're pretty shallow. It's AIDS Awareness Week, and we're still discussing the food and the Bronze Map. Meanwhile, groups are planning activities about AIDS which will be largely ignored (not that I am a great fan of the one week of AIDS sympathy we allow ourselves each year, but it is a lot more important than "Procrastination and why we do it"). If all we're about is societies, then we're not about very much at all.

Believe me, no one is more anxious, stressed, worried, upset, or excited about the March fourth decision than I, but we have to be about more that the "Fraternity issue." If you ignore the HEOP students because you'd rather worry about the fate of your society, organization, or club, then you're just as bad as those who would turn Psi U out into the cold.

Maybe asking us to write in about private societies was an attempt to generate some excitement, some enthusiasm on campus. Well, if the only thing that can get people excited, if the only thing that can get people involved, is the "Fraternity issue" then it isn't the Fraternities who are the problem, it's Hamilton.

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Letters and Op-Ed

The Spectator February 17, 1995

Pataki plans to destroy New York's best investment

Andrew Edelson

Dear Abbott

Originally, I had planned on discussing the importance of a having a student activities fee here at Hamilton, but a shadow has been cast over the entire country. This shadow is of great importance to all of us at all different levels - local, state, and national.

Imagine that one day you parents told you they are no longer going to pay for your education. You ask them why, and they tell you that they would rather spend the family money on other items, such as clothing and home furnishings. They justify this because they see your education as a frivolous request. They believe that this money can be spent elsewhere, and by spending it on furnishings, they can live the life they wanted before they decided to fund your college experience.

Just thinking about this gives me the chills. Who would actually want to deprive another individual of a college education? Why would anyone "cut" a family's college fund and spend more in frivolous areas? After all, education is the safest and soundest investment anyone can make. These other items are not.

There is one person who wants to do this. There is one individual who wants to deprive students the chance to attend colleges across the nation. He will destroy the dreams and hopes of millions of people. This person is George Pataki, Governor of the State of New York. He believes that New York should stop spending money on students who attend colleges, especially institutions like Hamilton. He also wants New York to stop funding programs like HEOP (Higher Education Opportunity Program).

For several students, HEOP isn't much more than an office in KJ. After all, it only applies to people of color, right? Wrong. HEOP isn't only for people of color. In fact, more than forty percent of students at Hamilton will be directly affected by Pataki's proposed cuts, and the entire campus will be indirectly affected. I repeat , the entire campus, not some, and not half.

Pataki may believe that cutting spending is a good thing (and in many cases it is), but there is no excuse for destroying the lives of thousands of students so New Yorkers can save a few bucks. And instead of returning this money to the taxpayers, Pataki is cutting education to make way for a minor league baseball stadium in Syracuse.

Even if you are not one of those who are directly affected by this gratuitous cut, you should be enraged. Imagine what Hamilton, as almost every other college in New York, would be like. There would be minimal diversity, a stale social atmosphere, a narrower curriculum, and a greater devastation than Pataki or anyone in support of this cut could ever imagine. Our Hamilton experience would no longer exist as we know it. Education would no longer exist as we know it. After all, how can we learn about other types of people if Hamilton is not a diverse community? Granted, there would still be some diversity, but almost every small liberal arts school in New York will become an elitist, classist institution.

I will not try to degrade Pataki; he can do that on his own. Instead, as the goal of this column, I will let you know of some ways we can prevent such devastation.

First, you can write a letter to Governor Pataki, letting him know his decision is treacherous and moronic. You can even send your letter to the Office of Multi-cultural Affairs, and they will help you get the letter to the governor. If you live in New York as well, send another letter (or a copy of the first one) to your state senator or congressperson.

Another way you can help is by participating in a protest on February 27. This is not a protest to destroy any sort of property of harm individuals or groups. It's the opposite; it will prevent the undue harm to individuals and groups that need financial assistance to attend college. Buses from Hamilton will be traveling to Albany, and if you are interested, please inform either myself or call the HEOP office. But please do help. You are not just helping someone else, you are saving thousands and thousands of dreams and aspirations. Your dream is one of them.

Loving Hamilton College: It is as easy as ABC

Eric Ritvo

The Final Cut

'Tis the season to be lovey-dovey, so here are the things I love about Hamilton from A to Z...

Acoustic Coffeehouse Series. Ellis Paul, Patty Griffin, Knots and Crosses. Enough said.

Breakfast at Tiffany's.

CAB. Here's hoping all the rumors come true. For the record, no bands are booked for the spring, but who knows...

Da Glen. Take a walk and get lost. I highly recommend it.

England. Studying abroad allows one to see things they never would see and do things you would never do. A unique opportunity not to be missed.

Friends. Particularly my friends, but friends in general. Alternatively, Thursdays on NBC at 8:30. The best new comedy on T.V.

GLBSA. I may not agree with everything they believe, but as a group they spur the most conversation on campus. For learning outside the classroom, this group does the most to facilitate the opportunity.

HAVOC. The easiest way to give back to the community.

Italian cuisine night. A phenomenal break from the norm.

Janitors. The unappreciated saviors of our dorms. Take the time to say thanks because they deserve it. Especially those working in Dunham.

K-J Aud films. Continually excellent films for only a buck. Whoever is in charge of the films deserves a hearty thank you from everyone, especially those who witnessed the Disney magic during *The Lion King*'s three night sold out stay.

Long-distance phone calls.

Meals with professors. Available for free in the dining halls on February 22 and 23. More info during the next week. Take advantage.

Nighttime. Being in the middle of nowhere allows for breathtaking views of the skyline. Furthemorer, the chapel, from a distance, is especially breathtaking.

Opus. Cafe Opus. A welcome addition to the Dark Side.

Phone machines. Bulldozers.

Quad. In the spring when everyone crawls out of their dorms and frolics in the sun. With this winter, hopefully the season will come early this year.

Roma's. It wins the Pizza Hut v. Roma's argument once and for all. All the food you want in a "half-hour/forty-five."

Suite Living. The benefits of living with roommates while having a single.

Tour guides. The front line in Hamilton's war to recruit students away from other NESCAC schools.

Uniqueness. Hamilton is diverse if you look for individuals and not skin color, bank accounts, or what car a person drives. Fortunately, there is more diversity here than anyone admits.

Valentine's Day. Even those of us without our beaus nearby seemed a bit happier.

WHCL. Hands down, the best radio station in the region.

X-tra hours in the diner.

You.

Zamboni. The indirect way of saying that Continental hockey is pure enjoyment for the fans.

There are many issues of concern to you as a Hamilton Student and world resident...

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Arts & Entertainment

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Rising Star Vance Gilbert to play in the Events Barn

Vance Gilbert is a daring new voice in contemporary acoustic music. A black singer/songwriter in a notably white genre, Gilbert has burst upon the scene with a power, force and assurance rarely found in the acoustic world. He will bring his highly acclaimed, soulful style to the events barn on Thursday, February 23.

Vance Gilbert's debut Rounder/Philo CD "Edgewise," released in winter 1994, instantly charted on both new adult contemporary and triple A radio formats. Featuring guest appearances by Tuck and Patti (Epic) and The Story (Elektra), "'Edgewise' introduces a serious new talent"*(Guitar Player)*. Gilbert's previously self-produced cassette, "Face to Face", sold five thousand copies at club engagements alone. "Edgewise" quickly surpassed this feat, selling twice as many units in the first weeks of release. Radio, clubs, press, performers, from Austin to Boston and Nashville to Seattle, are talking about the artistry of Vance Gilbert.

The buzz has traveled fast enough through the clubs. New York City's Bottom Line hosted Vance three times in six months. The Great American Music Hall in San Francisco has invited him to open four shows. And smaller rooms have seen him move from support to headline as quickly as his second appearance. Vance has earned encores opening for performers as diverse as Aretha Franklin and country's Mary-Chapin Carpenter. He has shared the stage with Jay Leno and gone toe to toe with Bill Cosby. It is typical for Vance, even as support act, to sell hundreds of dollars worth of CDs to audiences that have never seen him before.

"The most unique voice in contemporary folk music belongs to Cambridge-based singer/songwriter Vance Gilbert," writes Craig Harris in the *Boston Globe*. "The voice of an angel, the wit of a devil, the guitar playing of a god," trumpets the Fort Worth *Star Telegram*.

Raised in Philadelphia, Gilbert hit the Boston Club scene in his student days. When music wasn't paying the rent, he taught multicultural arts in the Boston Public schools - what he refers to as "the teaching trenches." Initially, jazz was his first love, but all that changed one night when Gilbert accompanied friends to a performance by Columbia singer/songwriter Shawn Colvin. "It was a turning point for me," he recalls. "I saw the level of communication and rapport she achieved with the audience, and I said to myself - that's it! - that's what I want to do." And since magic does happen, Vance subsequently toured coast to coast with Shawn earning rare opening act encores in thirty shows.

But it is more than just the rich tonal quality and distinctive phrasing of Gilbert's singing that is noteworthy. It's the material itself - from the black truck driver dealing with unspoken racism in the disquieting "Good Cup of Coffee" to the insouciant wit of "Country Western Rap." Gilbert also brings some much needed soulfulness to the sometimes overbearingly starchy world of contemporary folk - from the torchy exuberance of "When Jimmy Falls in Love" to the drop dead delivery of smoldering tunes like "Slip Away."

Vance Gilbert

Winner of the Great Woods Folk Festival Songwriter Contest and a Boston Music Award nominee, *New Age* praises Vance as "superb. His smooth, full-bodied voice and thoughtful, heartfelt lyrics wring out emotions from despair to euphoria, gliding from extreme to extreme." Vance Gilbert is a name to remember.

The show starts at 8pm in the events barn with the opening act, Flathead. Free coffee, hot chocolate and hot cider for all. The performance is free for students, faculty and staff of the college and $5 for the general public. For more info call 859-4515.

Horoscopes by Madame Morgana for the week of February 19-25

EARTH

Virgo (Aug 24-Sept 23)
Lucky color:teddy bear brown
Even though their aren't many leaves to admire, the scene outside is worth drawing. Make use of that artistic ability and bundle up, sit outside, and draw. Call home on Sunday. Your family would love to hear from you.

Capricorn (Dec 22-Jan 19)
Lucky color:jet black
Try not to pick on that adorable little buddy of yours. He/She is just recovering from being ill. Wear something bright on Monday. The happy colors will inspire others.

Taurus(April 21-May 21)
Lucky color:clear blue
Try to be understanding and patient when a friend comes to you with a silly dilemma on Thursday. It may not seem too pressing to you but it is a big deal to him/her.

FIRE

Sagittarius (Nov 23-Dec 21)
Lucky color:periwinkle
Don't let yourself get burnt out. You need some sleep sometime this week. Get a late start and wear a hat to your earliest class on Friday. Later that night you can get ready to party.

Aries (Mar 21-Apr 20)
Lucky color:rose petal pink
Now is the time to relax and read a good book. It will calm you down and that pressing work can wait until later this week. Ask your prof. for an extension because your project could be spectacular given a little extra time.

Leo (July 23-Aug 23)
Lucky color:ink heather
Finally, time to breathe! Now is the time to get all of the work for the future done. You don't want to be bogged down the way you were last week. With all of the other things going on you barely survived. It's over for now though.

WATER

Scorpio (Oct 24-Nov 22)
Lucky color:purple
Don't let jealousy rear it's ugly head this week. Just because you're not the center of attention on Wednesday doesn't mean that special person isn't noticing you. Sometimes the best way to stand out in a crowd is not to.

Pisces (Feb 20-Mar 20)
Lucky color:gold
Thank last weeks Valentine for the gift by making him/her a special present. Afterwards rent a romantic movie. A nice quiet evening is exactly what you need.

Cancer (June 22-July 23)
Lucky color:dark red
Don't let the work load get you down. You seem to be keeping up very well. Take that special someone to a big party this weekend. He/she wants to let loose almost as much as you need to.

AIR

Libra (Sept 24-Oct 23)
Lucky color:orange
This is the perfect time to get all of that pent up energy out. You have a little extra time, so convince your buddies to go with you and play a game of basketball. You might even want to make it a big tournament.

Gemini (May 22-June 21)
Lucky color:hot pink
Read a story to a child this week to relax yourself and bring up those parental instincts. You know you love taking care of others. Don't let the weather get you down. It may be cold, but the stars still come out after dark.

Aquarius (Jan 20-Feb 19)
Lucky color:moss
Maybe you ought to slow down on that partying. This week's work load won't tolerate any procrastination. Invite your favorite friend to visit this weekend. They would love a tour of the college.

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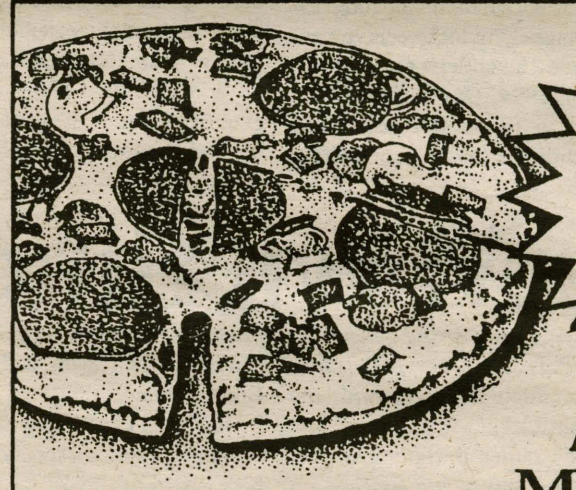

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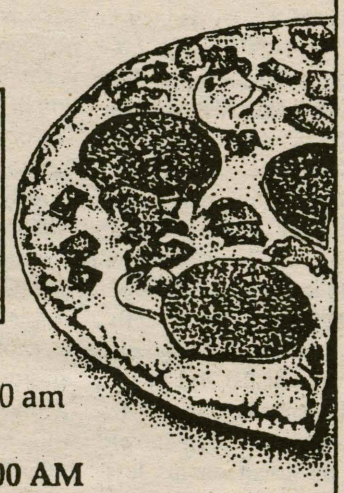

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Arts & Entertainment

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Day of Reckoning coming tonight

Day of Reckoning will be performing on Friday, February 17, at the Filius Events Barn, at 9 p.m. The show is sponsored by CAB, and will also feature campus bands Gordon's Tractor and Matt and Eric.

Day of Reckoning took shape in 1990, when guitarist/vocalist Michael DeCastro, bassist Matt Gorman, and drummer Jim DellaVecchia combined to bring their musical talents to the Philadelphia area club scene. The trio spent most of the year developing a style of live performance which serves as the foundation for the band today. Gradually emerging from the "garage-cover band" mold, they began to concentrate on original songs. While becoming tighter and maturing as players, Day of Reckoning channeled the wild intensity of their live show into insightful and powerful songs which capture an utterly original sound, ultimately becoming one of the area's hottest original bands.

Their influences cover a wide spectrum of styles, especially rock, alternative, and a hint of punk. Attempting to pinpoint the musical style of this band is a difficult task due to the very unique sound of Day of Reckoning. "A perfect example of hybrid vigor," states writer Joe Del Tufo (*Big Shout Magazine)* "they take the best parts of all their influences and combine them to form something original." The band received both local and national acclaim with the release in 1993 of their six-song LP entitled "Magnet," which received extensive airplay on college radio.

In April 1994, Day of Reckoning was signed to Blood Records. Their first recording for the label, entitled "I'm not a strong swimmer," which takes its name from a Martin Short line in a "Saturday Night Live" sketch about Olympic synchronized swimming, was released nationally on August 23, 1994. This ten-song release was recorded at Studio 4 in Philadelphia and produced by Bill Hayward. The project not only reflects upon today's cutting edge modern-rock sound, it also shows the band's ability to reach a broad range of listeners. College radio stations around the country are once again picking up on Day of Reckoning, playing everything from the pop influenced song, and first single, "Undefined," to the hard-edged "Surface," to the mellow, acoustic performance "Run." The band is bringing its energetic live show out on an extensive tour of the East Coast and beyond to support this release.

Day of Reckoning

Book Review - *Tao of Pooh*

By Naomi Brown '96
A&E staff writer

The Tao of Pooh by Benjamin Hoff is filled with great words of wisdom. Pooh, of course is Winnie the Pooh, and in this book, he represents all the central teachings of Taoism. On the back cover of the book, it says the book falls into the category of Humor. Humor is a good label for this book, because it is funny. Any attempt to explain Taoism through the actions of a bear named Winnie the Pooh, would have to be. But, it is also very philosophical, in a sneaky, backhanded sort of way. While I was reading, I was amused at the simple way things were explained, but I also thought that all of Hoff's theories made sense.

For example, there is The Cottleston Pie Principle, based on the Cottleston Pie song, sang by Pooh. The first verse goes,

Cottleston, Cottleston, Cottleston Pie,
A fly can't bird, but a bird can fly.
Ask me a riddle, and I reply:
"Cottleston, Cottleston, Cottleston Pie"

Looking at the second line, a simple theory can be derived. And, that is, according to Hoff, "...everything has its own place and function." We should not try to fit square pegs into round holes. Sometimes, it is important to take things at face value. I know that I have often found myself reading to deeply into things, and trying to make them into something they are not. Things are not often as difficult as they seem, and that's good to remember when you are stressing out because of schoolwork.

Another message taken from the Cottleston Pie song is to know and recognize your limitations. Once you accept your limitations, you can work with them. Piglet is the hero of the story used to illustrate this point. Refresher for those of you not current with Winnie the Pooh- Piglet is Pooh's little friend who accompanies him on most of his adventures. His name is Piglet, mostly because he is a pig. Anyway, Pooh and Piglet are over at Owl's house, visiting. Owl is another one of their friends. Owl's house collapsed on top of them, just as they were in the middle of an interesting story that Owl was telling. Luckily, nobody was hurt, but the only way out of the house, was through the letter slot. Piglet was the only one small enough to fit through the slot and go for help. Piglet, being a very timid, little pig, was extremely scared. He was afraid of getting stuck, and of falling back through the letter slot if he managed to reach it. But, he knew that because of his size, he was the one who had to go for help. He did get out, and was able to save Pooh and Owl, who were depending on him. One of Piglet's biggest limitations, his size, became an asset to him and his friends, and he put it to good use.

The Pooh Way is another important idea behind The Tao of Pooh. The Pooh Way is to work in harmony with nature and to let things happen spontaneously. Pooh has perfected this technique. He loves to just let things happen, without putting forth any effort. This is a perfect way to avoid stress. Hoff thinks that when you try too hard, sometimes things just don't work. He says, "The surest way to become Tense, Awkward and Confused is to develop a mind that tries too hard—one that thinks too much."

Its also good to try and make the best out of every situation, because most times things will just work themselves out. Pooh and Piglet have a friend named Eeyore. One day, it was Eeyore's birthday, so Pooh and Piglet arranged a party for him. Pooh decided to give Eeyore a jar of honey as his birthday present. Being a bear, Pooh loves honey. Naturally, he thinks everyone else loves it as much as he does, and it will make a great present. On his way to the party, Pooh gets hungry, and eats the honey. Then he remembers that is was supposed to be for Eeyore. Instead of getting upset, he writes Happy Birthday on the jar, and turns it into a "Useful Pot". Piglet's present was a big balloon which he tripped over and smashed on his way to the party. But, everything worked out because Pooh gave Eeyore the empty pot and Piglet gave him the balloon remnants to put in the jar. Eeyore was quite pleased with his gifts.

The Tao of Pooh is entertaining and intellectual at the same time. I feel quite cultured now that I have read it. Whether I'll be able to remember anything that I learned from the book is another story. But, it was fun to read, and is filled with great quotes. I'll leave you with one from Pooh. "If people were Superior to Animals, they'd take better care of the world." These are wise words from a adorable, yellow teddy bear.

Adeline's Movietime

By Adeline Cook '95
A&E faithful contributor

When I saw director John Carpenter (of *Christine* and *Halloween* fame), Sam Niell and Charlton Heston in the new horror film *In the Mouth of Madness* (Madness), I figured I couldn't be too offbase in attending the film. Boy was I wrong! This film aims as high as the sky and makes it to about my shoelace.

The basic plot revolved around a new book by fictional horror author Sutter Cane (Jurgen Prochnow) —loosely based on Stephen King. The book, aptly titled *In the Mouth of Madness*, is a terrible tale of the end of the world. But mysteriously, Mr. Cane's novels have been known to "have an effect on his less stable readers." John Trent (Sam Neill) is sent to investigate the disappearance of Mr. Cane along with his assistant Linda Styles (Julie Carmen). Basically, the two visit a town described in one of Cane's previous books and are slowly written into the plot of the new book. Their actual experiences are supposedly being created by the author. This drives most of the characters out of their minds towards the end of the thriller.

Sounds rather intriguing, right? Wrong again! The movie touches on what could become very interesting themes: has horror fiction become the world's new religion? or is reality only what we perceive it to be? But these ideas are not fully explored and the film is simply transformed into a compilation of mindless, BAD special effects. The people sitting in front of us left the theatre around the time a little girl with bloody lips exclaimed (in true "Chuckian" style), "It's Mommy's Day !" to the horrified Ms. Styles.

Gabe (of Editor-in-Chief fame) Meyer also wanted to leave fairly early on, another friend was trying to find the allusions in the film to H. P. Lovecraft (yet another undeveloped tangent), while Meghan (Assistant News Editor) Hallock and I were caught somewhere between laughing and vomiting.

The acting in this film was awful. I really only approved of Prochnow's portrayal of Cane as a somewhat sinister author. This really struck me as a film with so much plot to work on (a rarity in today's Hollywood) and so little development. With better writing, special effects, acting and directing *Madness* would have been a good show. But then again, isn't that what films are made of??!

I don't even know if the film will be at Sangertown for a second week, but here goes:

In the Mouth of Madness
plot: ****
acting: *
writing: 1/2 *
effects: **
Date Quotient: Are you kidding?
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The Audition, original fiction for A&E

By Emily Beth Merkin '96
A&E staff writer

Finally you get your number: six-hundred and twenty-two. Six plus two plus two equals ten, and your numerology number this year is nine so you know that this will be a bad audition. You say aloud to yourself that this is going to be a long day, and all the other girls nod in agreement. Then you take your dance bag, the black one you just bought at the studio shop downstairs, and make your way down the hallway, over to the window that looks into Studio A.

You look inside. This is the largest studio, so they must all be callbacks. You admire the way they do the routine everyone was taught earlier that morning. Damn, they can do the set of eight you couldn't grasp, so you carefully watch the girl in red that has the fastest feet. Slide two, and three, and four, and five, kick six, seven, down eight. Those are the cleanest feet you've ever seen, and when it comes to the last jazz section you know it may all be over soon, cause this girl's got it.

You are so nervous, because what if these are already callbacks and you haven't even auditioned yet? So you ask the other frightened dancer next to you, "Are these callbacks?". She says she doesn't know, her voice high. You look down at your worn pink converse, and wish that you'd never gotten pink. You wish you'd never shown up today.

Later on you get hungry, so you go and check upstairs to see what number they're on before leaving. The narrow staircase is dark, and smells of feet. You notice that your knees rattle as you climb upwards, your palms get a little wet, and your back tightens. You get to the top and follow the poster board signs to the small studio in the back, now a makeshift office.

"Can I help you?" the old one asks with her smokers voice. You ask her what numbers are next and she says "four three zero through four eight zero." So then you leave the room and suddenly it is very crowded with dancers, and you cannot see over their tall heads because you are only five feet two. Then you start searching for a way out of the packed hall, wondering if they want someone taller, a little longer looking, older. And although you're going to be nineteen soon you still feel out of place and naive. To avoid being pushed into the smelly stairwell you make your way into a dressing room that was converted into a coffee room, which (although crowded) still has some space to breathe.

Well, not too much of it anyway, due to the cigarette smoke. Despite popular belief, dancers are chain smokers, and have many other compulsive behaviors. You notice that the walls are plastered with headshots, rehearsal photos, and backstage polaroids from performances at the Pavilion. For a moment you see your head-shot up there, between two famous dancers, but then you realize that isn't you. It will always be a secret fantasy of yours to see your face on a wall like this.

You locate the hot water dispenser and make yourself some tea. When you leave to sit down, Billy comes up to you. Billy. You haven't seen him in a long time, so you smile when you see him and ask him to sit down with you. You wonder how funny you look in your pullover and sweats.

"How have you been," he asks. "I haven't seen you since I left Studio West!" (Already you've forgotten how great it is to hear him speak, to watch his lips move.)

"I'm okay," you tell him. "Still looking for some work." You say to him that it's your first audition in a while and it's not looking too promising. You speak loudly over the noise and hope that you don't look like a fool in front of this guy.

He tells you that you'll do great, that he's watched two female groups and none of them looked too hot. He reminds you that you have great technique, and he calls you Bunny (That old nickname someone slapped on you when you were four, and one it seems that you still haven't been able to shake.). You are insulted by Billy's comment, but you let it go. Already you have forgotten how close the two of you once were. You ask him if he's here for the same audition, that you didn't know that they were casting male roles.

Well, actually, he says, I'm auditioning for the Aladdin production at Disney World. What did he say? Disney World? What do you say to that? "Wow Bill, that's quite a step down," or, "I hope it pays well"?

You say instead that it sounds like it could be fun, and he says yes, it should be fun, and then he fills you in on all the details. But soon he gets bored with you, or so you think, and he leaves to find his friends he rode with, and you are left alone on the broken wooden bench.

You get depressed because it's always depressing to see an old boyfriend when you don't want to see him. You decide that it's time to get some yogurt or something. You leave the coffee room, push your way through the hall, and head down the stenching stairwell. Again you have to migrate with the herd till you reach the front door, where you escape into the free air.

You turn left and walk down the wide street till you reach the MI-T-MART everyone goes to. You go in, pick out Dannon Nonfat Yogurt (strawberry), an orange juice, and a pack of trail mix (with carob). You look around and see a half-dozen other dancers munching on Snickers bars, waiting for their friends. You go up to the counter and decide to buy a pack of cigarettes. "Camel Lights, hard pack." They put the goods in a generic brown paper bag along with a few books of matches.

Back on the street again, you hurry against the wind to the old brick studio, attempting to light up on the way. By the time you make it to the front door you still haven't been able to light the damn thing, so you decide to go inside, and as you pull the glass door open the heat of the building rushes at you. You are again surrounded by sweaty bodies and realize that your number should be soon, you can feel it, and you haven't rehearsed yet. How could you think about food when you have this audition coming up?

You remind yourself to stop thinking about food all the time, to be a normal person. So you take the rest of the cigarettes out of the paper bag and throw the damn bag away. This time you do light up a cigarette. You decide to start smoking regularly, as you make your way down the hall to the warm-up studio to rehearse.

You sit outside the rehearsal studio and put on your jazz shoes, or try to anyway. Your feet are so blistered and swollen from your pointe shoes that you are not sure you can dance at all on them. But you tell yourself that you can, that it's been worse. At least the bleeding has stopped, and it looks like the nail on your big toe is starting to grow back. You remind yourself that at least you don't have to dance on that broken toe anymore.

After several attempts you manage to get the damn shoes on, and you walk over to the only open space in the studio to mark the routine. A half-hour later you've gone over the routine seven or eight times, and you're out of ideas on how to make you're version different from everyone elses. You feel as if you have no style.

You grab your dance bag, pull on your sweats, and leave for the studio A window. Next to it is a newly posted list, so you look for your number and see that your group is next, and in the big studio. Shit, the last thing you want is for the whole building to be peering through the window as you dance. You wonder how difficult it will be to see you from the window if you move towards the corners. Maybe if you choose a spot on one of the farthest sides only the judges will see you. You tell yourself that as long as you don't get stuck in the front you'll be okay, because the front is just too exposing. In the studio now there are some other, taller girls dancing with practiced precision, with style, with confidence. You realize that you could never compete with them.

So you decide that you just can't do it, you can't be beautiful for just ten minutes, you can't pretend that you're happy and excited to be there, excited to dance. So you grab that damn black dance bag that you just bought and pull yourself out of the studio building. You get out as fast as you can because this can't be your life anymore. And once outside, you light up your Camel, take a deep breath, and think about the day, the years, you have just wasted.

Diamond Rio in Syracuse

Diamond Rio with special guest George Ducas will perform on Friday, March 10th at 8 p.m. for one performance only at the Landmark Theatre in Syracuse.

Diamond Rio's award-winning albums include "Diamond Rio" (1991), "Close to the Edge" (1992), and "Love a Little Stronger" (1994). During the past four years they have racked up nine hit singles, won four Country Group of the Year awards and earned three Grammy nominations.

It is no wonder their third endeavor went through intense scrutiny. Marty Roe, lead vocals and the other Rioers, Jimmy Orlander, Brian Prout, Dan Truman, Dana Williams and Gene Johnson, think it's the best thing they've done. "Everybody in this group is playing better than they've ever played," Marty says. "The songs are better, the playing is better, the singing is better and the harmonies are tighter. We are definitely excited."

"We have achieved a lot of goals," Marty comments, "and we have worked together for so long. But we've become even more ambitious. The biggest reason we are in this band is to move forward, to make each album a listening experience and to have quality music out there every time."

Tickets, priced at $21.50 and $19.50 (plus restoration fee), all seats Reserved, go on sale this Friday, February 17th at the Landmark Theatre Box Office and all Ticketmaster locations. To charge tickets by phone, call 472-0700. For more information or ticket availability, call 475-7980.

Beadwork Workshop

An Afternoon with Iroquois Artist Danielle Shenandoah

Saturday, Feb. 18th
3:30 - 5 pm,
*
Bead Workshop: presentation by the Oneida artist Danielle Shenandoah in the Emerson Study Gallery

Presented by NASSA, the Dept. of Religious Studies, Dean of the Faculty, Multi-Cultural Affairs Office, & the FWC
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Refreshments Served!! All are Welcome!

EMERSON GALLERY ☼ FEBRUARY 18 (SAT.), 3:30 - 5 PM

Calendar & Movies

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17 *Friday*

12:00 - 5:00 **The Amazing Button Factory.** Sponsored by CAB. Beinecke Village.

7:30 **Large Group Meeting.** Sponsored by the Intervarsity Christian Fellowship. Schambach 201.

7:30 **Film: Natural Born Killers.** Sponsored by the Samuel Kirkland Film Society. Kirner-Johnson Auditorium. *$

18 *Saturday*

11:00-4:00 **Bake Sale.** Proceeds to benefit the Clinton Child Care Center. McEwen Coffeehouse.

10:00 **Film: Natural Born Killers.** Sponsored by the Samuel Kirkland Film Society. Kirner-Johnson Auditorium *$.

19 *Sunday*

1:00 **Newman Mass.** Father John Croghan. Chapel.

7:30 **Film: Natural Born Killers.** Sponsored by the Samuel Kirkland Film Society. Kirner-Johnson Auditorium. *$.

8:00 **Robinson Lecture.** "Elijah and Jezebel: The Odd Couple." Dr. Phyllis Trible. Sponsored by the Religious Studies Department. Chapel.

20 *Monday*

3:00 & 7:30 **College Course 300 Film: Orson Welles, Citizen Kane (USA '41).** Kirner-Johnson Auditorium.*

21 *Tuesday*

12:00 **Newman Mass.** Father John Croghan. Chapel.

4:30 **Candlelight, Music and Meditation.** Janna J.Roche, Chaplain. Chapel.

7:00 **Public Speaking Contest: "The Media."** Sponsored by the InterSociety Council. Red Pit, Kirner-Johnson.

7:30 **Lecture: Black History Month.** Doris Davenport. Sponsored by the Womyn's Center. Chapel.

8:30 **Concert.** E. Michael Richards, clarinet. Wellin Hall, Schambach Center.

22 *Wednesday*

3:00 & 7:30 **College Course 300 Film: Vittorio de Sica, The Bicycle Thief (Italy '48).** Kirner-Johnson Auditorium.*

23 *Thursday*

12:00 **Newman Mass.** Father John Croghan. Chapel.

4:30 **Lecture and Workshop.** "Violence Against Women." Rosemary Dempsey, National Organization for Women. Dwight Lounge, Bristol Campus Center.

7:30 **Lecture.** David Pimentel, Cornell University. Sponsored by the President's Focus on the Environment. Science Auditorium.

8:00 **Lecture.** "Cultural China: Recent Cross-Currents In and Around the Middle Kingdom. Leo Ou-Fan Lee, Harvard University. Chemistry Auditorium.

Have a great weekend!

MOVIES

Sangertown 797-2121

Billy Madison 7:10, 9:40
Boys On the Side 6:45, 9:25
Dumb & Dumber 6:50, 9:20
Highlander III 7:15, 9:45
The Jerky Boys 8, 10
Legends of the Fall 6:30, 9:30
In the Mouth of Madness 7:05
Murder in the 1st 9:35
Nobody's Fool 6:40, 9:15
The Quick and the Dead 7, 9:50

Clinton Cinema 853-5553

The Quick and The Dead 2, 7, 9

Up Town 797-0020

Little Women 7, 9:30
Higher Learning
The Jerky Boys
Highlander III
The Lion King

On Campus

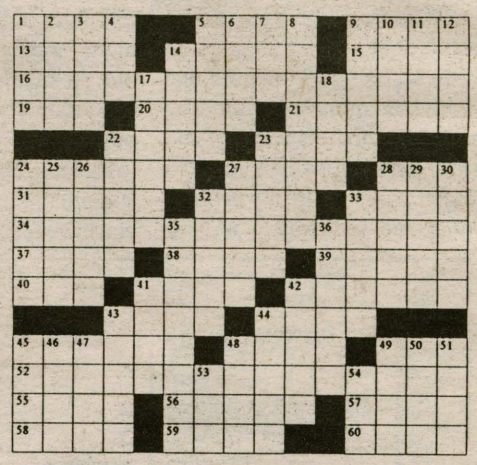
Natural Born Killers
Fri.,Sat,. Sun,. @7:30, 10:00

Matinees are for weekends only.
Clinton Cinema has only Saturday matinees

Weekly Crossword

" Yuletide "

By Gerry Frey



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13 Got an "A":Slang
14 Ointment
15 Celebes ox
16 *Yuletide songs*
19 Pebble Beach need
20 Circuits on the track
21 States
22 New England's NFL team
23 Sts. and Blvds. cousin
24 Astronomer Carl and family
27 City in Iowa
28 Bro.
31 Detached
32 African ruler
33 Museum of Mod. Art
34 *Yuletide*
37 Joshes
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39 Distant view
40 Tokyo's former name
41 Large coffee pots
42 Women
43 Mined ?
44 Curs
45 Maine's National Park
48 Destiny
49 Lowing sound
52 *Yuletide place ?*
55 Metal cans
56 Consumed
57 Italian volcano
58 Blemish
59 Loch _____ Monster
60 Draft animals harnessed together

DOWN

1 Diplomacy
2 Yearn
3 Actor Richard
4 Star wars initials
5 Bulb repositories
6 Word of concern
7 ICU feedings
8 Bounces back
9 Former Yankee Roger
10 Soon
11 Lone
12 Russian News Agency
14 RBI's, e.g.
17 Slopes
18 Large primates
22 City of lights
23 Wrong
24 _____ Coeur
25 Garden pest
26 Greta _____
27 Stockpile
28 Martini & _____
29 Over act
30 Ms. Turner & others
32 Correct
33 Unmarried girls
35 Menace
36 Avoids
41 Author Leon _____
42 Dead language
43 Keats, e.g.
44 Boxes
45 Play parts
46 Poker or chocolate follower
47 Cartoonist Peter
48 Mr. Waller
49 Companion
50 "____ and The King of Siam"
51 Apple eater
53 _____ West:Life preserver
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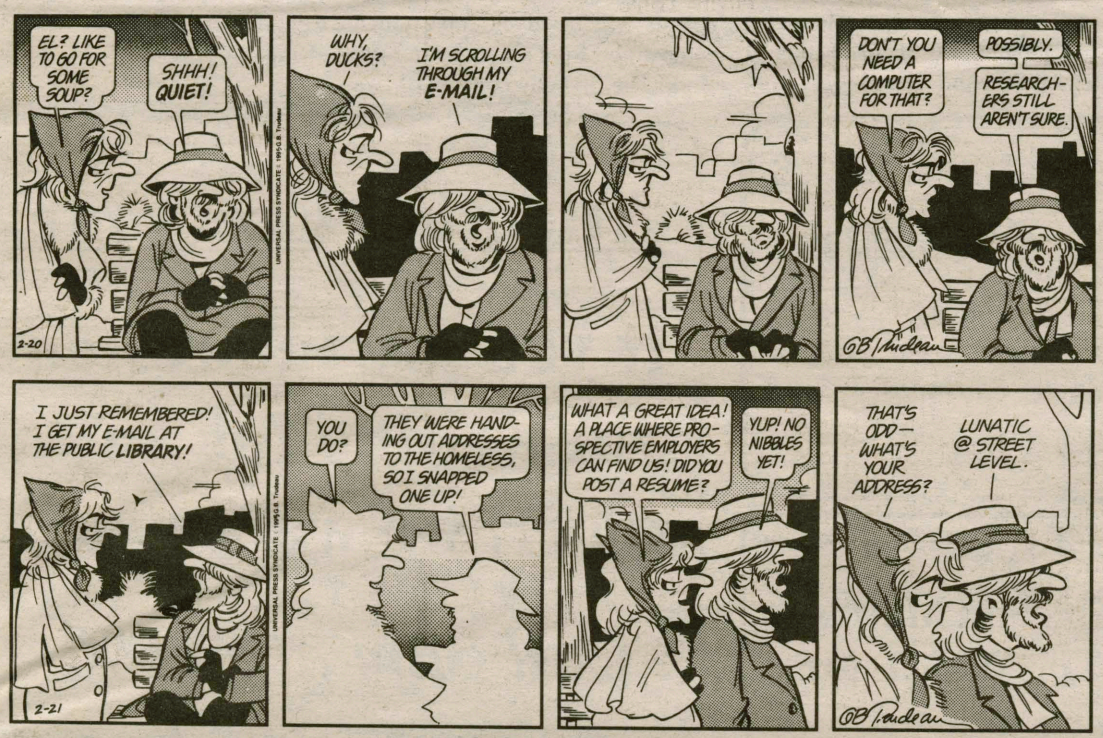
Doonesbury

BY G.B. TRUDEAU


EL? LIKE TO GO FOR SOME SOUP?
SHHH! QUIET!
WHY, DUCKS?
I'M SCROLLING THROUGH MY E-MAIL!
DON'T YOU NEED A COMPUTER FOR THAT?
POSSIBLY.
RESEARCHERS STILL AREN'T SURE.
I JUST REMEMBERED! I GET MY E-MAIL AT THE PUBLIC LIBRARY!
YOU DO?
THEY WERE HANDING OUT ADDRESSES TO THE HOMELESS, SO I SNAPPED ONE UP!
WHAT A GREAT IDEA! A PLACE WHERE PROSPECTIVE EMPLOYERS CAN FIND US! DID YOU POST A RESUME?
YUP! NO NIBBLES YET!
THAT'S ODD— WHAT'S YOUR ADDRESS?
LUNATIC @ STREET LEVEL.
SEE, FIRST I CALL UP MY ON-LINE PROVIDER. I JUST TYPE IN "GO: HOMELESS."
TAP! TAP!
THEN I ENTER MY PASSWORD, "ROT:GUT"! BINGO! I'M IN! AND LOOK... I'VE GOT ONE PIECE OF E-MAIL! LET'S OPEN 'ER UP, PRONTO!
TAP! TAP! TAP!
To: All readers. Seek homeless male with basic computer skills for well-paid, secure job. Free training and mental health care. Contact writer.
ELMONT!
OKAY, THAT'S JUNK MAIL, SO I DELETE IT— LIKE THAT!
TAP! TAP!
Welcome, Elmont! --Helen.
THAT'S HELEN! SHE'S A REGULAR IN THE HOMELESS CHAT GROUP!
Helen, let's meet in Vegas and get married. --Elmont.
ELMONT! YOU CAN'T MARRY HELEN!
TAP! TAP! TAP!
I CAN'T? GOOD LORD! WHY ON EARTH NOT?
WE'VE BEEN OVER THIS A MILLION TIMES. YOU'RE ALREADY MARRIED TO ME!
Helen: Bad news. I've been living a lie. --Elmont.
Elmont: Me, too. I'm actually fully clothed.
TAP! TAP! TAP!
ALMOST FINISHED, DUCKS?
COULD BE! NOT SURE! I'M JUST TAKING IT ONE STEP AT A TIME!
EL, THEY'RE ABOUT TO CLOSE...
THEY CAN'T CLOSE! I'M ON OFFICIAL BUSINESS!
WHAT SORT OF OFFICIAL BUSINESS, DUCKS?
WHAT'S IT LOOK LIKE? I'M DOWNLOADING THE LIBRARY OF CONGRESS!
ALL OF IT?
OF COURSE NOT! JUST THE BEST-SF!''ERS.
YO, ELMONT...
CAN'T TALK NOW! I'M DOWNLOADING THE LIBRARY OF CONGRESS! A TO Z! SOUP TO NUTS!
WELL, WE GOTTA CLOSE, MAN. WHY DON'T YOU SAVE YOUR WORK AND COME IN AND FINISH UP TOMORROW, OKAY?
LET'S SEE WHAT YOU'VE GOT SO FAR... MY, TWELVE BOOKS ON AARDVARKS.
PRINT 'EM OUT! I NEED 'EM TONIGHT!
TAP! TAP!
BIG PROJECT?
YEAH, I GOTTA REPAPER MY CRATE. WINDCHILL PROBLEMS.

Personals

O.K. sickly, get better soon. I can't function without the other half of my brain.

To the Beautiful One in Carnegie Land-
How long has it been since I held your hand
All I desire is one embrace
And to finally be able to touch your face
It was just Valentine's Day...
Will you be mine?
-I now go by Ray

McLloyd-
You wanted me before, why can't I take it off now?
-Innocence

Sprint-
B.Y.O.S.! Its on Puerto Rico.
-Between 1 + 2

J-Dog and T-Bone-
Loved the cards. You really make VD special.
-As Always, T-Rex and H-Bomb

Mary Ann-
I admire all the things you are and all the things you've shared with me-including some of the most hilarious, and difficult, moments of my life. Occasionally, at one and the same time.
-Cybill

To the Fabu Crew-
Happy Belated Valentine's Day. Let's hear it for knocking on that door. Ricola!
-I love ya' Bye Bye...Wacko

To the Unwobular one-
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Mary Lynn Murphy-
Magnificent
Athletic
Reliable
Yogurt-eater

Loyal
Yammer
Nymph
Nifty

you make my heart spin
-B.

Answers to last week's crossword puzzle

" What's in a Name ? "

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Women's Basketball Rebounds with win over SUNY New Paltz

By Katie Scovin '97 & Mark Granovsky '98
SPORTS STAFF WRITERS

Women's Basketball is not going to quit without a fight as they proved on Thursday night in a 68-54 triumph over New Paltz. Forward Beth Petrusa '96 led the Continentals with 13 points as Guard Tootie Loffredo '95 contributed 13 points along with a team high of 7 rebounds.

The victory was preceded by a sudden four game win streak which began in Oneonta and included wins over SUNY-Utica, Utica College and Elmira College. The run was cut short as the Continentals fell to Williams (63-54). Rookie Kim Herrig '98 scored a career- high 16 points, while Kristin Pabis '96 poured in 14 and Jessica Levi '97 provided a team high of 7 rebounds.

With their momentum snapped the Continentals were unable to meet the challenge of Albany in their final (83-62) home game. Nevertheless, Petrusa provided a high of 20 points.

Despite the (83-62) Albany upset, forward Lori Eaton '96 remains positive about her team and its apparently bright future, "I'm really impressessed by the first years. Their already outstanding dedication and desire to learn can only get better."

The team will attempt to regain the momentum in their meeting of Russell Sage this Saturday at 3 p.m.

Women's Swimming competes in State Championships at Union

By Kristen Faull '97
SPORTS STAFF WRITER

The women's swim team is currently competing at the State Championships which are being held at Union College. This follows their most recent win against Swarthmore on February 4.

The Continental women finished the season with a record of 6-3. In this three day compitition, the Continentals will be given some tough competition from all teams in New York. The first day consists of two rounds: the first round is preliminaries and the second is the finals. Each swimmer is allowed to swim in seven events and most swimmers are in five.

After the conclusion of an exciting season, this is the crowning event for many of the swimmers. Some swimmers who have reached qualifying times will go on to the National meet in March. Coach Thompson is "pleased with the way the season went thus far, but all will tell in the championships."

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Vikings	2-2-1	Sirloin	2-4-0
Team Zero	1-3-0	Junior Satchmos	2-5-0
Blazers	0-2-2		
Disco Inferno	0-4-1		

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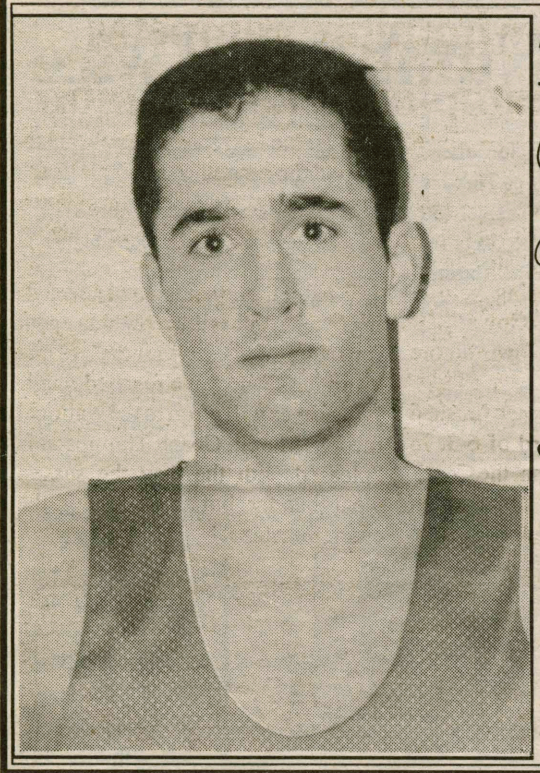


The Garden Café's Athlete of the Week

—COMPILED BY SPECTATOR SPORTS

Joe Mrozienski

STATISTICS:

--19.7 points per game
--11.8 rebounds per game
--2.3 blocks per game

Forward Joe Mrozienski '96 led Hamilton to an 80-75 victory over the Union Dutchmen by contributing 27 points and 13 rebounds. Joe has led the Hamilton scoring attack in eight games and has been the leading rebounder in 14 games. With his great play, Joe has positioned Hamilton for its first trip to the Division III NCAA tournament. Congratulations, Joe! You are the *Garden Cafe's Athlete of the Week.*

The All New Garden Café Restaurant and Strider's Lounge, located at 354A Norton Avenue at the Corner of Route 5, guarantees good food and great times. The Café is open 11:30 a.m. to 2:00 a.m. on Mon, Thurs-Sun. Tuesday hours are 4:00 p.m. to 2:00 a.m. The Garden Cafe serves pizza, chicken wings, subs, and a late night breakfast. Hamilton students showing I.D. receive ten percent off at all times. Delivery (1:00 p.m. to 1:00 a.m.) - Call 853-4571.

The Garden Café's Athlete of the Week receives a free pizza with the works courtesy of The Garden Café and its owner Tony Urbanowitz.

OTHER PEAK PERFORMERS

Tootie Loffredo

Tootie Loffredo '95 played perhaps her finest game against SUNY-Utica last Tuesday. She scored a career-high 22 points, grabbed seven rebounds, and made two steals to lead the Continentals to a 72-56 victory. *Way to go, Tootie!*

Cohen's Continental Corner: Interview with Paul Wilson '95

BY BRIAN COHEN '96
ASSOCIATE SPORTS EDITOR

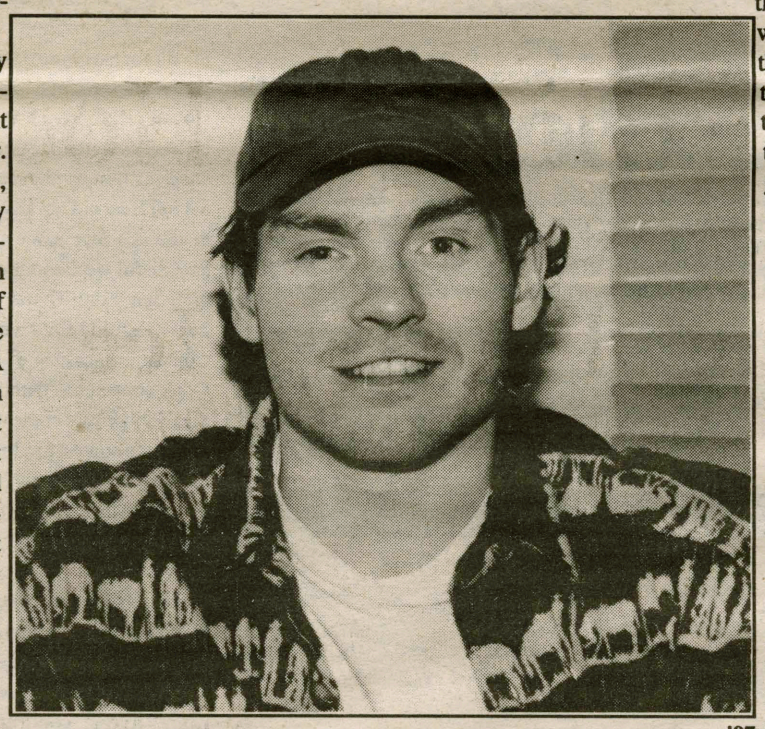
Assistant captain Paul Wilson hails from Cobourg, Ontario and brings a lead-by-example approach to the Continentals. Paul, a third year varsity defenseman, is enjoying his finest season thus far. Currently, Paul with five goals and thirteen assists is third on the team with 18 points and an excellent +/- ratio of +15.5.

Paul, a religion studies major, is no slouch in the classroom either. His 90 average should rest any fears of rejection from medical school. Probing into Paul's life shed more light on the hockey team than himself. Paul is the definition of a team player, and by putting the team before himself, he has contributed to the Continentals' success this season. He symbolizes the unity and cohesiveness that the team displays. With four regular season games remaining, Paul offers his perspective on his hockey career and the outlook for the playoff-bound Continentals.

Q: How long have you been playing hockey?
A: 16 years
Q: Why did you decide to come to Hamilton?
A: I wanted to come to a small school. I didn't have that opportunity in Canada because most of the schools are public and large. The size of Hamilton was appealing to me. I went to a very small highschool and the hockey program here is great.
Q: How much does the expenditure that you put in hockey affect your academics?
A: I think athletics helps academics through discipline and organizing your time. Also in athletics you seek excellence in yourself physically and I think it carries over into your academics as well. Of couse it takes up time and sometimes it can hurt but overall, I think it makes you a better student.
Q: What other activities are you involved in?
A: I'm a Big Brother and I'm involved in other HAVOC programs.
Q: What does it mean to you to be an assistant captain?
A: It is a great honor to be an assistant captain. I am not a vocal leader. To me it means representing myself to the team and setting a good example. And also working right in tune with the other seniors on the team and just trying to keep the team unity together.
Q: What do you consider to be your greatest achievement?
A: I don't really put any achievement to this point ahead of another. To me right now, I'm hoping my greatest achievement comes up in the next couple of weeks with the ECAC and NCAA tournament. I'm anticipating that my greatest achievement and the team's greatest achievement comes there.
Q: What do you consider to be your biggest disappointment?
A: Anything that I can think of that has been disappointing has turned out to be a positive experience for me. As far as school selections, maybe I didn't go to the school that was my first choice but it has turned out for the better. That has happened to me in a number of ways. I don't think there really are disappointing experiences. They may be disappointing at the time but you can always use them in a positive way.
Q: How does the Hamilton crowd affect the team's performance?
A: It's interesting. Usually we are really psyched to have a big crowd and we will go into a game with a big crowd pretty pumped up. We always anticipate there being a large crowd at home games and we get excited for it. But when the puck is dropped it doesn't really make a difference home or away. Last Friday against Bowdoin there weren't many people in the rink when the game started and we came out flying against them. The crowd picked up but we motivated ourselves. We can't use the crowd to motivate us.
Q: How does the crowd affect your performance?
A: I try to put the crowd out of my mind. Like I said before, it's great to have a large crowd there and it makes it easier to get motivated. The crowd can also take away some of your focus sometimes. So in my mind it is great to get you motivated and pumped up but you also have to forget about the crowd once the game starts.
Q: How do you mentally prepare for each hockey game?
A: We have game plans before each game. We sit down with the coaches and go over the scouting reports. That gives us an idea of what we are going to be up against. But, we generally try and play our game no matter who we are up against. The focus for me and the rest of my teammates is to concentrate on what we are doing within our systems. Being physically prepared is great but it doesn't mean anything unless you are mentally prepared. We really work on doing that and going into the game ready to play not just with our bodies but in our heads too.
Q: How would you describe your style of play?
A: Consistent. I go out there and try to do my job the best I can. If the team wins and I am contributing to the team in the best way that I can then that is what counts. I try to be as consistent as I can and I think that is my greatest attribute.
Q: Are you happy with Hamilton's hockey program?
A: Yes, it is a great program. We have a great J.V. program. I think that there is a very positive team unity. The coaches are great. The coaches are into it. They want to win as badly as anyone else.
Q: What do you think of your season individually so far?
A: I haven't really thought much about my own season individually at all to this point. I definitely try to play my best every time I go out there. Right now we are in the position of hunting for a playoff spot and looking for home ice. It is pretty hard to reflect on my personal game until we get where we ought to go. It doesn't matter how one person is playing if the team is not playing well because then we won't be successful.
Q: What do you think of the team's performance this year?
A: Our team always goes out there and gives it everything we've got. We have beaten all the big teams. We have lost a couple here and there because of mental lapses. You are going to lose games. We let a few get away from us that we definitely haven't wanted to. It is not a reflection of our effort in anyway because we are always giving it our full effort. It is just a reflection in focus and concentration and that has been great since the [winter] break and going into the playoffs. We had won five or six in a row going into this weekend. We have got a lot of momentum and I think the team is really coming together when it counts.
Q: What lies ahead for the team this year?
A: We have four games left and it is really important for us to put it all together now. I have confidence in the team and I am sure we will do it because we are a crunch time team. We have proven that by beating the big teams. So, if we know we have to win we're going to win. . .

I think the team this year has so much talent that when we make the playoffs it doesn't really matter what place we fall into. If we take it one game at a time we can beat anybody. When the game means that much I think our team is going to beat anybody.

It is frightening to think how well we can do this season. We are even in the run at this point nationally. We are ranked fourth in the NCAA East I believe. We even have a shot at much bigger things and we can definitely go far. We had a talented team last year and we were quite successful and this team has that much more talent. We are putting it together at the right time so it looks promising.
Q: To whom do you credit your success?
A: My family has always supported me in hockey ever since I was very young. They have definitely been there throughout my hockey career. They have been a constant factor involved with it as much as anybody.
Q: What are your career plans after Hamilton?
A: I have applied to Canadian medical school. I have not heard anything but haven't expected to, yet. I plan to go to medical school if not this year then the year after.
Q: How do you wish to see your hockey career finish?
A: A championship. We have the potential so there is no reason that it shouldn't happen.



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Assistant Captain Paul Wilson '95

This Week in Hamilton Sports

Sport	Fri.	Sat.	Sun.	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thur.
Men's Basketball		Skidmore 3:00 p.m.			SUNY Utica 8:00 p.m.		
Women's Basketball		Russell Sage 2:00 p.m.	Utica 7:00 p.m.				
Men's Ice Hockey	Trinity 7:30 p.m.	Connecticut 2:00 p.m.					
Men's Squash						Hobart 4:30 p.m.	
Women's Squash		Howe Cup Yale 9:00 a.m.					
Swimming		NYSWCAA Union TBA					
Track & Field		Kane Invitational Cornell 11:00 a.m.					

Indicates Home Game

Indicates Away Game

Beat the "Experts"

Each pick has been selected to win contest outright. *If any given game ends in a tie, that game is thrown out of the lineup. Beat the "Experts"* is by no means associated with organized gambling on professional or college sports. Whichever Guest Handicapper posts the best winning percentage during their week will be selected as *The Garden Cafe Athlete of the Week* (honorary) in the final issue of this semester and will be entitled to all the perks therein, namely the free pizza with the works from *The Garden Cafe* and their picture in *The Spectator.*

Specially Selected Sporting Events	Sam Walker *Spectator Sports Editor* Last Week: 12-1 To date: 33-18	Brian Cohen *Associate Sports Editor* Last Week: 6-7 To date: 25-26	Trip MacCracken *Associate Sports Editor* Last Week: 11-2 To date: 32-19	Dan DeBlois Sophomore *Guest #1* Last Week's Guest *Matt Roventini '96* 10-3	John Kowalczik Junior *Guest #2* Last Week's Guest *Jason Lizio '96* 8-5
NBA					
Detroit at Chicago 2/17	Chicago	Chicago	Chicago	Chicago	Chicago
Atlanta at Dallas 2/17	Atlanta	Dallas	Dallas	Dallas	Dallas
Cleveland at New Jersey 2/18	New Jersey	Cleveland	Cleveland	New Jersey	New Jersey
Denver at Philadelphia 2/18	Philadelphia	Denver	Philadelphia	Denver	Denver
Houston at New York 2/19	New York	New York	Houston	Houston	Houston
Utah at Phoenix 2/19	Phoenix	Phoenix	Utah	Phoenix	Utah
NCAA					
St. John's at Boston College 2/18	St. John's	St. John's	Boston College	St. John's	St. John's
Georgia Tech at Wake Forest 2/18	Wake Forest	Georgia Tech	Georgia Tech	Wake Forest	Wake Forest
Michigan St. at Minnesota 2/18	Minnesota	Minnesota	Michigan St.	Minnesota	Michigan St.
Syracuse at Seton Hall 2/18	Syracuse	Syracuse	Syracuse	Syracuse	Syracuse
Arizona at UCLA 2/19	Arizona	Arizona	UCLA	UCLA	Arizona
Indiana at Michigan 2/19	Indiana	Michigan	Indiana	Indiana	Indiana
UNC at Virginia 2/19	UNC	UNC	UNC	UNC	UNC

If you think that you can beat these "experts," drop us a line and we will try to get you in. Write "I can beat the experts" on a piece of paper and add your name, then fold it and address it to the sports editor at *The Spectator.* Drop it in campus mail and if you're randomly selected, you'll quickly receive a form for you to make your picks.

UConn Number 1, Twice

Scorecard

Trip MacCracken

In The NBA: In case you missed it, Clyde Drexler was reunited with college teammate Hakeem Olajuwon on Tuesday night, when Portland traded Drexler and guard Tracy Murray to the Rockets for forward Otis Thorpe. From the Blazers' perspective, the trade simply does not make sense. Not only are Thorpe and Drexler the same age, but the Blazers are now overloaded at forward. The Rockets, on the other hand, are now in solid position to contend for their second consecutive championship... In order to keep pace, the Suns figure to make a swap of their own. The latest rumor has Bulls' malcontent Scottie Pippen going to Phoenix for Dan Majerle, Wesley Person, and draft choices. Imagine Charles Barkley and Scottie Pippen on the same team. There aren't enough reporters in the league, let alone defenders, to cover the two of them at the same time. According to Barkley, Shaquille O'Neal is the best player in the league, but Pippen is the best non-center... At the break, the Cavs were allowing opponents only 89.2 points per game, an NBA record. On the other side of the coin, they are scoring only 91.1 per game, which is the third lowest since the introduction of the 24-second shot clock... Million-dollar miss: 16-year old Mike Hoban missed his chance at $1 million when he airballed his shot at halftime of the Rookie All-Star game. Interestingly, had he made the shot, Hoban would have lost his eligibility for NCAA basketball. I don't imagine that's cheering him up any, though... While the Miami Heat did not have a representative in the All-Star game itself, they had a successful weekend. Forward Glen Rice won the Long-Distance Shootout and guard Harold Miner won the Slam-Dunk Contest... Speaking of which, the Slam-Dunk contest has deteriorated. After being the highlight of the weekend for many years, the contest has lost its luster. All of the great dunkers don't want to participate, leaving unknowns such as Tony Dumas, Jamie Watson and Antonio Harvey missing most of their dunks and looking awkward doing it... Piston rookie Grant Hill, who seems to live on my TV screen, appeared on *Letterman* Monday night after the ESPY Awards. Hill, who is from Virginia, confirmed that his father was among a group trying to buy the Washington Bullets franchise. He hopes his father is successful so that he might eventually play for him in Washington. Incidentally, Hill also said that Duke's basketball woes stem solely from the loss of Coach K, not the loss of a certain All-American. Of course, Hill is too modest to speak truthfully on the matter...

In the NCAA: For the first time in NCAA history, the #1 team in both men's and women's Division I basketball is from the same school. The University of Connecticut women's team has been ranked atop the polls since January 16, while the men's team jumped to the top after defeating Syracuse last weekend... Continuing in the trend of the season, this week had its share of upsets. George Washington upset UMass again, while Kentucky lost to Mississippi State in Rupp Arena. One word for this season: Parity... OK, granted, Duke is having a tough year. But do you really think teams like Idaho State, Manhattan, and Long Beach State deserve higher rankings? Maybe I should rephrase that. Would these teams beat the Blue Devils? Struggling or not, I'd take Duke over any of these higher-ranked teams in a heartbeat... Only 27 days until March Madness...

In the NFL: Packers wide receiver Sterling Sharpe will not play in 1995 due to neck surgery. This is certainly a blow to Green Bay. While I wouldn't be surprised to see Sharpe attempt a comeback, I would certainly question his judgment in so doing... The recent scouting combine offered NFL teams the chance to see draft eligibles up close and personal. Penn State's Kerry Collins was in attendance but did not work out at the combine. Collins is trying to correct a hitch in his throwing motion and will hold a private workout before the April 22 draft. After leading his team to an undefeated season, how much of a hitch can Collins have? Furthermore, doesn't it seem a little bit strange to think that in a period of 2 months he'll effectively be able to change what he's been doing for his entire life? Speaking metaphorically, it seems to me that you have to dance with whomever you took to the ball... The expansion draft, meanwhile, didn't make me envy fans of Jacksonville and Charlotte. Of all the big name players available, only Steve Beurlein, Desmond Howard and Reggie Cobb were picked, all by Jacksonville. Both teams avoided bigger name veterans like Michael Dean Perry, Sean Jones, Terrell Buckley and Chris Doleman, opting for more inexpensive talent. Charlotte and Jacksonville fans, buy your programs now. It's the only way you'll know who's playing...

In baseball: Braves' pitcher Tom Glavine appeared last week on CNN's *TalkBack Live* and was angered by an audience member who said players should quit whining and "get a real job." Glavine came out of his chair to respond, saying, "This is what I do for a living. We're not fighting for what we think is fair. We're fighting for what we think is right." Braves' president Stan Kasten says that such fan hostility is misplaced. "It shouldn't be a personal thing. (The players) are doing what the union is directing them to do."...

Quotables: Kentucky hoops coach Rick Pitino, on Wildcat freshman Antoine Walker: "When it came to rebounding, Antoine was a conscientious objector."... CBS announcer Bill Raftery checks in with a two-fer. Raftery on Purdue coach Gene Keady: "(He) has run out of hotels to stay at in Indiana, because he refuses to stay at one where he lost." And Raftery on Keady and his rival coaches: "With Bob Knight, Gene Keady and Jud Heathcote, the Big Ten's a bad-hair league."... And finally, new Ram coach Rich Brooks, who wins points for mastering the obvious keys to his new team's success, "The elimination of penalties, mistakes and turnovers will be a key item." And if we score more points than they do, we'll win every time...

My Two Cents

What type of fan are you?

By Samuel M. Walker '96
SPORTS EDITOR

Rooting for your favorite collegiate or professional team is a source of enjoyment for many people throughout the world. To what degree do fans follow their team of choice? As I see it, there are three classifications of fans: *fairweather, passive, and fanatic.*

The fairweather fan is the worst type of fan. They can be broken down into two subclassifications. First, there is the fairweather fan that only gets excited about their team when they are successful. The Cowboys are a perfect example. In 1989, under first year coach Jimmy Johnson, the Cowboys went 1-15 and their future looked dim. At that point, how many Dallas Cowboy sweatshirts or hats did you see around the heartlands of America? Comparatively how much more Cowboy apparel did you see after the Cowboys won either of their two Super Bowls? If you said there were few who called themselves fans in 1989 and many in 1993, you are correct.

Secondly, there is the fairweather fan that picks their teams based upon performance during a given time period. This fan only roots for teams that are hot or up and coming. An example of this type of team is the Orlando Magic. The fortunes of this franchise changed with one bounce of a ping pong ball. By a stroke of luck, Orlando snatched Shaquille O'Neal in the 1992 lottery. Everybody knows the rest of the fairy tale: Just two years after drafting Shaq, Orlando is in serious contention for the NBA championship. And along with the rise in success of the Magic, fans are climbing on the bandwagon. One could also attribute their large fan base to the catchy logo, but how many Magic fans around the country were wearing Orlando Magic paraphernalia a couple of years ago when Scotty Skiles was there best player?

The passive fan has liked the same team since he was a youngster. This type of fan, however, is not always concerned with the performance of his team, and therefore they are not fully committed. For example, a passive fan would make the conscience choice of going on a date instead of watching the game on television. The true test of a passive fan is whether or not he will remain a fan when his team is in last place with no sign of resurgence. If they choose to follow a different team, or one that is winning, then we can categorize them into the fairweather class.

Fanatics are truly diehard fans. They'll skip dates, weddings, meetings, and other sporting events in order to watch their team play. A fanatic is someone who sees every game, from preseason to postseason, that their team plays. No excuses for missing games apply. This fan has difficulty watching games with someone in the other two categories, or someone who does not care at all. For example, a fanatic hates when a fellow viewer asks them to explain rules or conduct during the event. The fanatic fan's state of mind fluctuates with the success or failure experienced by their team. After a loss, a fanatic is miserable until the next time the team wins. To be a fanatic, nothing less than a full commitment is expected.

I have laid out here a spectrum by which fans can be judged. It is quite possible to be a passive fan for one team and a fanatic for another. Similarly, one can fall in between classifications, such as fairweather-passive or passive-fanatic. These are only guidelines by which to judge oneself.

Personally, I can't stand fairweather fans' rooting style. Nor do I condone the practices of the passive fan. Although many people do not put sports as a high priority, there is a lot to be said about being a fanatic.

My fanaticism with the New York Jets will shed light on my intentions. Going into the sixteenth week of the season, my New York were 6-9. They were eliminated from the playoffs, and for all intents and purposes, their game had no significance. On this day, the northeaster had hit Connecticut and had downed my electricity. It was 12:00 and the game was to start at 4:00. I was getting nervous. I proceeded to get in my car and drive to my cousin's house on Long Island, which was an hour and a half away. This left me ample time to prepare for the game. Now I'm sure you are wondering how the Jets did that day? They fell prey to the Oilers.

Most people will never understand why I made such a fuss about seeing the Jets play. However, fanatics must do whatever they can to see their team play. Would I do this for a Jets pre-season game? The answer is a resounding, "Yes!"

I'm not advocating fanaticism to this extent for everyone. In fact, I'm only a fanatic with the New York Jets. I would classify myself as a passive fan with the rest of the teams which I follow. All I'm saying is that there are people out there who will go to any means to watch their team play. If your judging a true fan, he can not be classified in the passive or fairweather categories. Just remember, fan is short for fanatic!

Men's Squash learns a lesson in punctuality from Rochester

By Mark Lilienthal '97
SPORTS STAFF WRITER

The Hamilton Men's Squash team suffered a hard dose of Rochester play this Wednesday. While getting themselves overly excited for one of the biggest matches of the year, against a Rochester squad ranked in the top fifteen in the nation, the Hamilton men found themselves dressed up with no where to go. Seeking to even out their record at .500, Hamilton was fully warmed up and ready to play in front of the raucous home crowd. Sadly, their opposition was nowhere in sight. While the minutes dwindled and Hamilton's enthusiasm declined, an upset victory began to look like a far more ominous challenge than had been originally anticipated.

Finally, after a 75 minute wait, Rochester arrived and proceeded to soundly beat Hamilton, with the Continentals winning only one individual match. However, the mitigating circumstances presented above are clearly the reason for the loss, not inferior squash abilities. Hamilton has proved itself a formidable opponent throughout the season, and Doug Prezzano '97 directly attributed the team's loss on Wednesday to Rochester's accidental negligence. Prezzano was quoted as saying that "The lateness really set us off guard." Certainly, this is understandable. If it were up to this writer, Rochester would have to come back and play...but only after they waited seventy-five minutes for Hamilton to arrive. Then they would see just how distracting it is to get up for a match, only to have the opposition not show.

Do not despair. Hamilton may have a revenge possibility this weekend when they head to Vassar for the State Championships. It should be a rewarding and exciting experience, if not all together a learning one. Let's keep the members of Men's Squash in our thoughts and wish them good luck...and punctuality!

Trivia Time

Send entries in Campus Mail to Spectator Sports. The first correct entry received will win 4 Utica Blizzard tickets.

It's not about winning the prize, it's all about beating Sam Walker!

Last Week: There were no winners!
1. question was disqualified--editor's error
2. Austin Carr, 61 points
3. 1982 A's
4. John Havlicek

This Week's Questions:

1. Who is the all-time assist leader for the Chicago Bulls?
2. Who is the all-time homerun leader for the NY Mets?
3. How many Boston Celtics have won scoring titles?
4. Who won the first NBA Slam Dunk contest?

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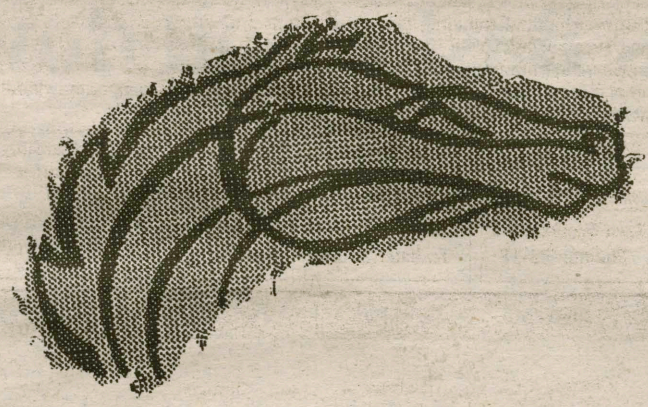

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Men's Hockey defeats Bowdoin in dramatic overtime

Improve to #4 in E.C.A.C., await tough road trip to Connecticut

By Rick Pizzo '96
SPORTS STAFF WRITER

If you missed the Continentals' game on Friday night at the Sage Rink, you missed what Coach Phil Grady described as "one of the best five games played at this rink since I've been here," a 6-5 win in overtime for the home team. The opponent was the Bowdoin Polar Bears, who was previously ranked #2 in the N.C.A.A. Div III poll, and boasting the best first line in all of E.C.A.C. hockey. Don't be misled by the score. It was a well-played game between two teams who were fired up to play. The intensity was fueled to by a packed house in the Sage, consisting of screaming Hamilton students.

The crowd in Sage erupted when Sean Brady '96 scored on a breakaway shot three minutes into overtime to seal the win for the Continentals. Brady anticipated a cross ice pass by a Bowdoin defender, stepped up and stole the puck at the offensive blue line and started toward the net. Brady faked a forehand shot, moved the puck to his backhand, and slid a pinpoint shot between the pads of the Bowdoin goaltender.

Brady's heroics may not have been possible if not for Jeff Bradley '97, whose blistering slapshot from the left point with seven minutes remaining in regulation tied the game only twenty seconds after Bowdoin had taken a 5-4 lead. The game never saw either team trail by more than one goal, as Pat Ryan '97 put Hamilton on the board first with a screened shot from the top of the slot. With help from a goal by Shawn Kelly '95, the game was tied at 2 at the end of the first period. Defenseman Jim Ford '98 put Hamilton up 3-2 with a blast from the point. After Bowdoin evened things up, the game was 3-3 going into the final period. Bowdoin took a 4-3 lead shortly into the third, but a miraculous wrist shot from the stick of John Whitwell '98 knotted the score at 4, and made way for Bradley and Brady. Joe Mucha got his fifth consecutive win between the net for the Continentals, as he turned aside 38 shots.

The emotion didn't carry over to Saturday's game, as Hamilton showed no signs of the greatness that led to their win the night before. The White Mules overmatched the Continentals 5-1. Colby took a 2-0 lead into the second period before Brian Green got the Continentals their first goal on a sweet feed from Bob Simonds. Any momentum gained from this goal was taken away when a shot from a Colby defenseman went off the foot of Paul Wilson and past Joe Mucha. Mucha suffered his first loss in the defeat, which Coach Grady believed was the result of "too much individual effort."

Grady hopes to bring back the team play to the Continentals for this weekend's road trip to Trinity and Connecticut College. Joe Baudo and Brian Green will switch positions for these games, as Grady feels that "Joe is more effective on the left wing, while Brian can do more on the off wing." These changes may be necessary for this weekend, as Trinity is a much improved team this year. Grady feels that to win "the team must stay focused and treat this game as if it was against one of the top teams in the league."

Conn. College is similar to Colby in their physical style of play. Conn. will take many penalties in an attempt to intimidate Hamilton. "If we get sucked in by their style, we will be playing into their hands." remarked Coach Grady.

Despite the loss to Colby, Hamilton moved up in the N.C.A.A. rankings from #5 to #4, but still have to fight to make the E.C.A.C. playoffs. The Continentals' next home stand is Feb. 24-25 against the Middlebury Panthers, presently ranked #1 in the East region, and Norwich Cadets, who is also fighting to make the playoffs. Shawn Kelly still leads team in points with 29, and is only 10 points away from the illustrious 100 point club.

PHOTO BY GABRIEL CID '97

The hockey team practices hard for their important road trip this weekend.

Men's Basketball downs Union 80-75

By Mark Granovsky '98
SPORTS STAFF WRITER

"Our goal is to make it to the tournament," noted guard Scott Pace '96. This goal may soon be a reality, as the Continentals defeated a tough Union Dutchmen, 80-75, at home last Saturday. Hamilton now stands at 15-5, a formidable second in the New York State East Conference.

Don't be misled by Union's mediocre record of 10-10. "They're a strange team: one day they are good, another day not so good," explained assistant coach Joe Kremer. The offense is capable of good offensive numbers, with forwards Sam Poulis '95 and Marcelo Tellez '95 averaging 22.3 and 18.6 points a game.

The Dutchmen gave the Continentals a close game throughout the first half. The score was 27-27 with six minutes remaining. Then the recipe of forwards Matt Stowell '95 and Erin McCann '95 pushed Hamilton up to 40-38 with ten fouls on the Continentals. The crowd was getting a little restless.

Things picked up for Hamilton in the second half. The Continentals never trailed by more than three points (55-52 with 13 minutes to play), and stayed focused during the half with solid defense. "We played good defense and kept them to one shot," remarked head Coach Tom Murphy. The strategy worked as Hamilton expanded their lead to 74-69 and held on for the victory. "We did what we needed to do," added Coach Murphy.

Forward Joe Mrozienski '96 led the Continentals with a 27 point and 13 rebound night. Forwards Erin McCann '95 and Al Lewis '96 were also major contributors with 18 points in 34 minutes, and 10 points in 19 minutes, respectively. "Al Lewis gave us a lift off the bench," said Coach Murphy. Guards Pace and Fran D' Agata '95 combined for 11 of Hamilton's 19 assists. Hamilton shot 47.5 percent (28/59) from the field and 75 percent (21/28) from the free throw line.

Sam Poulis and Marcelo Tellis led the Dutchmen with 17 points a piece. Center Reinis Kanders '96 added 15 points and 4 rebounds. "It was a good win. I'm surprised [Union] is not a better team," explained Coach Murphy. Union went a solid 16-10 in 1993-94, including a victory against Hamilton 83-73.

While the playoffs are on everyone's mind, the growth of individual players is foremost on Coach Murphy's mind. "[We] hope every player improves to his full potential and they are close [to doing just that]," explains Murphy. Hamilton has proven themselves as the surprise team in the New York region.

With a lack of height, few expected Hamilton to have this kind of season. What is lost in size, however, is made up in heart. "The players realize how hard they have to play every game," commented Coach Kremer. Fran D' Agata adds that, "The team has worked harder than teams in past years." The Continentals continue to be an offensive powerhouse with averages of 91.1 points and 48.9 rebounds a game.

Hamilton will try to maintain their standing against the Skidmore Thoroughbreds, this Saturday at 3:00 p.m. Skidmore is in fifth place, according to the last New York East poll, and is notorious for handing the Williams Ephmen their first loss of the season.

Coach Kremer has seen Skidmore play four times this year. "Their offense is generally the same as ours; they have a guard that shoots often from anywhere, anytime," explained Coach Kremer. Coach Murphy adds that "Skidmore is an excellent team, it will be more of a ball-control game."

Hamilton has had a deserved seven day rest between the game against Union and Skidmore. "A lot of the guys are banged up, the time off is good for us," remarked D'Agata.

Women's Hockey crushes Skidmore

By Rick Pizzo '96
SPORTS STAFF WRITER

The Continentals' women's ice hockey team split a pair of games this past week at the Sage Rink. On Tuesday night, the team faced the Skidmore Thoroughbreds, whom they had defeated 9-1 earlier in the year.

The score was even more lopsided this time around, as Hamilton won 14-0. Scoring was spread throughout the lineup, but was led by center Allison Wandelt '95 and defenseman Lexie Goulard '95, who have provided the bulk of the offense for the team this year.

Contributions were also made by Gretel Porcaro '95, Lindsey Norris '98, Tucky Ridder '98, and Kate Flynn '97.

Wednesday was a much closer game for the team, as archrival Williams came to the Sage. Earlier this year, the team tied the Ephmen 2-2, scoring with only a second left to tie the game. This time, however, Williams prevailed 4-1. The Continentals fell behind 2-0 going into the third period and could not quite catch up. Heavy legs were surely a factor, as the team had played the night before.

Hamilton travels to the University of Vermont this weekend for a very important tournament. This is the team's second trip to the Green Mountain State this season, and they don't plan to return unless they are accompanied by a championship trophy.

Winter Sports

Men's Hockey
14-6-0

Basketball
Men 15-5
Women 8-13

Swimming
Men 8-1
Women 6-3

Squash
Men 6-7
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